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CONSTRUCTION METHODS

SYSTEM AND CONTROL IN BUILDING

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It can be said that modern construction methods owe their supremacy to the mistakes of the past and an equally plausible assumption follows that the mistakes of the present will be of similar if not greater assistance to the builder of the future. A recognition of this fact by many of our representative builders has inclined them, in an earnest effort to profit by their own errors, to undertake a more serious and systematic study of the problems coming before them than they were wont to in the past. Feature by feature, each possibility has been taken up and separately analyzed; every branch of industry has been called upon for that which would seem to assist or be of benefit and every science has been enlisted for that which would be helpful, until today there stands a profession in all that the name implies to supplant what was only a trade of yesterday.

The first result of such serious study has been a general systematizing of the essential forces and efforts, both as applied throuh the office in preliminary preparation as well as in actual field operations. System implies control, and this is now obtained through the assistance of two highly important documents: (1) the "time schedule;" and (2) the "working estimate."

1. The Time Schedule.—Every building operation before reaching the construction stage should be placed on a definite time schedule, with predetermined dates for the arrival and departure of each individual trade that will enter into its construction. In form it may not be unlike the railroad folder of common usage. A more forcible resemblance may perhaps be found in the discovery that it is equally as destructive to the progress of the building to assign two conflicting trades to the same period as would obtain were two trains to attempt the same stretch of track concurrently.

1*a*. Elements of the Time Schedule.—A properly prepared building schedule will assign to each trade on the operation four definite dates:

1. The date on which subcontracts on purchase orders should be placed in order that the materials involved may be properly and economically prepared and deliveries synchronized to keep pace with the then leading trade. On a well-analyzed operation, such a thing as waiting for materials is quite inexcusable; not only will the continuity of the trades be disturbed, with consequent hardship to those other departments and lines not to blame, but more often than not, a permanent delay to the building's completion will ensue. This directly affects the owner's interest, and on many enterprises, where the investment assumes vast proportions as the date of completion approaches, even so small as a day's delay may be a matter of serious financial loss. Equally so, it is important not to crowd a job with materials before the operation is ready. To do so means the additional expense of rehandling and temporary protection, to say nothing of the handicap which will be placed on other trades in causing them to work over and around stored materials.

2. The latest date on which all information inclusive of designs, scale details, and approval of shop drawings must be in the hands of the subcontractors or shop, in order that they may intelligently prepare or fabricate the materials and meet promised delivery. With the importance of this date recognized by the architect or designing engineer, little or no difficulty should be experienced in adherence thereto. On the other hand, without this very close cooperation, many serious set-backs will creep into the building operation and constant watchfulness may be required on the part of the builder to protect the schedule at this point.

3. The date on which actual field work at the building should commence. Here again, delays are dangerous. The failure of one trade to take its appointed place at the time designated will either throw back all succeeding trades a corresponding period or will result in the confusion of two or more trades trying to operate in the same space, until the delinquent one has speeded up to resume his normal station. While the exact sequence in which the various trades should be brought upon the work is in a few instances debatable, their position as a rule is generally predetermined by the relation one bears to the other. When this relationship is not clearly defined, such as between

steam or plumbing risers and floor arches of steel frame buildings, or between plaster ceilings and cement or marble floors, resort must be had to local custom, and the adaptability of the tradesmen involved to that procedure which would seem the most economical in time and money to the building as a whole. Other things being about equal, that method resulting in the least total time expended on the structure should always receive the decision.

4. The date on which all field work should be completed; a delay here may or may not be so vital, dependent on whether succeeding trades are held up thereby in the completion of their work.

A slow or faltering trade is always a detriment to any building enterprise, and it is for the quick detection and prompt cure of such symptoms that the time schedule serves its most important purpose.

1b. Stages of Building Operations.—The facility and practicability with which a time schedule may be prepared is dependent quite largely on the experience and general knowledge of trade sequences possessed by the compiler. For an initial try-out it is well to conceive the building as divided into the three periods or stages of construction into which it quite naturally groups itself. They are as follows:

(1) Foundations and walls to grade.
(2) Superstructure without finishing trades.
(3) Finishing trades.

First Stage.—For the first stage, conditions will be found to vary so with each different structure that set rules do not readily apply. Preparation of site, with possibly a wrecking operation, excavation, foundations, sheet piling, shoring, piling, caissons, steel grillage, and walls to grade may all be involved. In ascribing time values to this class of operation, only an intimate knowledge and study of local conditions can be relied upon. Each individual operation should be analyzed separately, and that starting date established which will result in the greatest harmony to the whole. It should be borne in mind that at this stage the working space is in its most restricted area, and the surrounding conditions for the receipt and storage of materials are apt to be at the worst. In order to compensate for unforeseen contingencies, as much slack as the total time allowed for the building will permit should be allotted to this stage of the operation; even at the expense of a sensible tightening up on the schedule for the balance of the work. A rough-and-ready check found useful by the writer is an allowance of 2 ft. per week, the figured distance being the depth to which the footings project below grade. Such a check is not accurate on very deep foundations, such as are met with in Chicago practice with caissons extending 90 or 100 ft. below grade, but more directly applies to rock work and foundations of medium depth as found in the East and elsewhere.

Second Stage.—The second stage, that of the superstructure, is controlled in time values by the three basic trades involved:

1. The supporting steel skeleton, or, if wall bearing construction, the exterior walls themselves.
2. The arches or floor construction.
3. Dividing walls or interior partitions.

All other roughing trades are collateral with or dependent upon one or the other of the aforementioned principal lines.

In the further discussion of the time schedule and its preparation, reference will be had to the steel frame or strictly fireproof type of building as generally found embodied in the modern hotel or office structure. Being more complex in the number and variety of trades involved, it will serve as the best illustration. Schedules for other types of construction can be evolved by similar methods, simply eliminating those trades which do not pertain. On this type of construction 4 to 5 days per story of height is the usual time allowance for erection of the steel frame. It is to be noted that on the above basis the area of the building bears no direct function to the progress desired. It has an effect, however, on the type of equipment to be chosen, which will be referred to later. As an illustration, a 12-story hotel or office building would be allotted from 48 to 60 days in which to carry the steel work from grade to completion, which includes the time required by the steel erector in getting his forces and equipment away from the building. The collateral trades dependent on the steel work should be started concurrently with it or at intervals of a few days—due caution as to the safety of the workmen involved, and the proper sequence to prevent the covering up of uncompleted work by other trades being observed.

The second controlling trade embraces the floor construction, or arches. A safe rule is to set this down to start from 25 to 40 days after the start of the steel; and the third controlling trade, or interior partitions, the same period after the start of the floor arches. In each instance the dependent trades will be assigned their places in manner similar to that described for those following the steel.

Third Stage.—For the finishing trades, or third stage of the building, conservative practice permits an allotment of from 90 to 120 days after completion of steel, indicating about 40 days after completion of interior partitions.

1c. Total Time Involved.—Reverting again to a 12-story structure, and assuming that the foundations extend 20 ft. below grade with basement included, the time schedule will now have reached somewhat the following values:

Foundations: 10 weeks or 70 days	70 days
Steel frame: 4½ days per story, or	54 days
Arches finish after steel	30 days
Partitions finish after arches	30 days
Finishing trades 100 days after steel	40 days
Total time	224 days or 7½ months.

TIME SCHEDULE

THOMPSON-STARRETT COMPANY

Class Office Building Smith No. 875 Date June 3d, 1916.

Office schedule				Job schedule	
Architect's drawings to let contract	Contract must be let on or before	All details for sub-con.	Work	Start	Finish
			1 Steel drawings		6–7–16
			2 Architect's drawings		
6–1–16	6–1–16	6–10–16	3 Wrecking	6–1–16	6–20
6–1	6–4	6–15	4 Excavation.	6–10	7–30
6–1	6–10	6–20	5 Drains and water	6–20	7–10
			6 Caissons—piles		
6–15	6–15	6–25	7 Foundations—concrete	7–10	8–25
6–15	6–15	6–25	8 Walls to grade	7–20	8–30
6–15	6–15	6–25	9 Waterproof—walls	7–20	8–30
6–5	6–5	6–15	10 Grillage—column bases	8–15	8–30
6–5	6–5	6–15	11 Steel erection—stack	9–1	10–25
6–20	7–10	7–20	12 Ornamental iron—stairs—plain	9–10	11–25
6–20	7–10	7–20	13 Ornamental iron—finish	12–20	3–15
6–20	7–10	7–20	14 Elevators—guides—temp. car	10–15	11–22
6–20	7–10	7–20	15 Elevators—car—signal—test	12–20	3–15
6–20	7–10	7–20	16 Boilers—temp. heat	10–10	12–10
8–1	8–20	8–30	17 Pump—tanks	11–1	11–30
7–1	7–20	7–30	18 Arches	9–12	11–15
6–20	7–10	7–20	19 Plumbing—gas—rough—test	9–10	1–8
9–1	9–20	9–30	20 Plumbing—finish—fixtures	12–20	2–25
6–20	7–10	7–20	21 Heat—ventilation—rough	9–10	1–8
9–1	9–20	10–30	22 Heat—regulation—finish	12–20	2–25
6–20	7–10	7–20	23 Electric—rough—temp. light	9–10	1–8
9–1	9–20	10–30	24 Electric—fixtures	12–20	2–25
7–10	7–30	8–10	25 Common brick masonry	9–25	12–20
7–1	7–20	7–30	26 Granite	9–20	9–30
			27 Bluestone		
7–1	7–20	7–30	28 Limestone—marble exterior	9–25	12–20
7–1	7–20	7–30	29 Terra cotta	12–5	12–20
7–1	7–20	7–30	30 Face brick—enameled	10–1	11–10
7–1	7–20	7–30	31 Special brick—mould—fire—hollow	10–1	11–10
7–1	7–20	7–30	32 Wood frames—sash—pulleys	9–25	12–20
7–1	7–20	7–30	33 Metal frames—sash—pulleys	9–25	12–20
7–20	8–10	8–20	34 Weights—chains	10–10	12–20
7–20	8–10	8–20	35 Glass	10–10	12–20
8–1	8–20	8–30	36 Roof cover	11–15	12–20
8–1	8–20	8–30	37 Sheet metal	11–15	12–20
8–1	8–20	8–30	38 Bucks	10–20	1–5
8–1	8–20	8–30	39 Strips and fill	10–20	1–5
8–1	8–20	8–30	40 Partitions and furring	11–10	1–20
8–1	8–20	8–30	41 Grounds and lath	11–25	2–5
8–20	9–10	9–20	42 Plaster—plain	12–10	2–25
8–20	9–10	9–20	43 Plaster—ornamental—caen—scag	1–10	2–25
9–1	9–20	9–30	44 Marble walls—tile	12–20	3–5
9–1	9–20	9–30	45 Marble floors—tile—mosaic—terrazzo	12–30	3–15
8–10	8–30	9–10	46 Hardware—finish	12–20	2–20
8–10	8–30	9–10	47 Trim—wood	1–10	3–25
8–10	8–30	9–10	48 Trim—kalemein	1–10	3–25
8–10	8–30	9–10	49 Paint—decorations	2–1	4–5
8–10	8–30	9–10	50 Finish floor—wood—cement	12–20	3–5
9–1	9–20	9–30	51 Paving—sidewalk—curb—bmt. floor—w.p.	2–20	3–20
9–1	9–20	9–30	52 Revolving door	3–1	4–10
8–10	8–30	9–10	53 Mail chute	11–5	3–10
			54 Vault work—bank		
6–20	7–10	7–20	55 Sweeping—pneumatic	9–10	2–25
6–20	7–10	7–20	56 Sprinkler	9–10	1–20
6–20	7–10	7–20	57 Ice plant	9–10	1–20
			58 Laundry—kitchen		
			59 Engines—generators—motors		
			60		
			61		
			62		
			63		
			64 Finish building—schedule time	6–1–16	4–10–17
			65 Finish building—contract time		5–1–17

1d. Specimen Time Schedule.—A specimen time schedule as completed and used in actual practice is shown on p. 805. The dates shown in the two right-hand columns are those worked out first by methods just described; those in left-hand columns, the purpose of which has already been referred to, are then deduced from the starting dates. The accuracy with which they may be established depends almost wholly on the exact knowledge possessed by the compiler of modern shop practice, and, to a lesser degree, on his acquaintance with the local customs prevailing in the locality at which the different branches of the work are being fabricated.

1e. Time Schedule as a Plan of Operation.—The time schedule after completion should be freely circulated among all interested departments. To the designing engineer or architect, it indicates the precise sequence and the latest date at which all information including approvals must be available; to the contract department it indicates the latest dates on which subcontracts may be safely let; and it also supplies the starting and completion dates to be incorporated therein. It furnishes the purchasing department with exact information on which to base future deliveries of stock materials; to the expediting and traffic departments it is indispensable in following up the preparation, shipment, and delivery of fabricated materials from distant shops and factories; to the building superintendent it should be his daily guide and reference for the coordinating of all field activities.

2. The Working Estimate.—Second only to the time schedule as a controlling feature is the "working estimate." Some authorities will be found who give it preference on certain operations, believing that where time is not specifically mentioned as the essence of the contract, and strict economy only the end to be gained, that a time schedule implying speed will have excessive costs attached thereto. A little thought, however, will dispel such a theory when it is recognized that a properly prepared time schedule does not make for speed at the expense of economy, but rather holds its strength through its requirement for orderliness—in itself one of the fundamentals of economics. Through its harmonizing influence, many a valuable day will be retrieved to the owner to become a revenue producer, and at a lesser cost to the operation as a whole than if the work was carried on without its beneficial guidance.

2a. Basis of Working Estimate.—The working estimate may be based upon data already secured through preliminary cost estimates of the work, but is more generally the result of a careful re-check on all quantities, taken direct from the plans after the award of a contract.

For those lines of work on which the builder's own forces will be employed, the quantities of material or labor involved will be set down in conventional terms against which the selected price units will be applied and the whole extended into dollars and cents. This is carried out trade by trade, the greatest amount of detail being observed to insure to the fullest extent the elimination of all possible errors, and holding those that might occur to the minimum value.

If it is deemed desirable to have a complete schedule equalling the total allowance for the building operation, there will be added to the above figures the various sub-allowances for those lines of work which are to be purchased in their entirety, commonly called subletting.

2b. Standard Manual For Cost Data.—In order to standardize the work and insure a more accurate and systematic collection of the cost data by field material and time clerks, it has become common practice for the builder to prepare a standard or manual, covering all possible subdivisions of work on which costs will be required, each branch and subdivision of same being indicated by a code letter or combination of letters and figures. The characters of this abbreviated index are then used to indicate disposition on all team tickets or other material receipts as well as subdivisions of time on daily time books, payrolls, etc.

The working estimate can be of value only to the extent of the intelligence with which it is utilized. To check same against actual results obtained on an operation after the work in question has been installed and completed can be productive of no value except possibly in relation to future work of similar character. To secure the full possibilities, some comprehensive system of cost recording is essential; data as to progress made, materials used, time involved, etc., should be collected daily by the field clerical forces with the results tabulated in weekly or semi-weekly reports. Where the volume of work in any particular line is large and fairly constant in its character, weekly reports will probably fulfill every requirement, but where the volume is small or the conditions under which it is proceeding are constantly changing, the semi-weekly or even daily reports should be prepared. The comparison of these reports with the working estimate and the interpretation of the disclosures therefrom by the

building superintendent, or whoever may be making the comparison, can be beneficial only to the extent of his thorough understanding of the factors with which he is dealing. He should never fail to realize that the working estimate treats of averages only and that to draw a true comparison, the particular parcel of work under scrutiny if greatly at variance from the average, should be modified correspondingly by proper allowances before judgment is rendered.

A type of estimate more logical in its application, and at the same time slightly less difficult in preparation, is one in which the allowances are expressed in hours of labor rather than in terms of value. It recognizes the theory that the rate of wages applying to any particular locality is generally on a more or less established basis and beyond the province of the organization to change or alter. By limiting the unit of measure to the expected output per hour or day of laborer or mechanic, the field organization forces may be held accountable only for those factors over which they have admitted control. Another advantage lies in the far greater readiness with which such terms are accepted and made use of by foremen and other employees. An allowance of 80 brick per hour on a certain piece of masonry would be understood by all and is easily checked against by the simple operation of dividing the number of brick laid during any selected period by the number of mason hours employed; whereas the same allowance expressed in terms of $12 per thousand, is to the average individual quite a complex problem to check against except to those who have had previous estimating or cost-preparing experience.

3. Daily Reports and Diaries.—A third instrument essential to every building operation, but of lesser importance as a controlling feature, is the daily report or diary. This is prepared in the field and written up for each and every day, Sundays and holidays included. Each report should be numbered consecutively from start to finish of the operation so that the latest number will always indicate the duration of the job in days up to that point. Outside of certain essentials—such as weather conditions prevailing, the total number of employees, classified by trades, mention of any unusual mishap or accident, and the visitation of important personages —the scope of the diary may be varied by the responsible head to suit the particular work engaged upon. The best results will be obtained if these reports are personally prepared by the superintendent in charge, the assurance being thus gained that he is actually in touch at all times with every feature and detail of the operation. If, due to the scope of the work, this is found to be impracticable, he at least should sign the reports and see that they are transmitted to the main or home office at the end of each day.

PREPARATION OF SITE

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It can be assumed that certain essential information, locating the proposed structure both horizontally and vertically with relation to known references, will be clearly indicated on the plans and sections previously prepared by the designing engineer. Horizontal distances given in feet and inches between opposing lot or building lines, the angles formed at their intersection and the elevation of the first floor with reference to existing grade or some assumed datum comprise the information commonly given. In addition to this, the structure as a whole will generally be tied up by a figured dimension or dimensions to some established line or point. This may be an adjoining building, a party line, a street intersection or simply a stake or hub, should the site be an isolated one.

4. Location of Reference Points.—The first step by the field engineer should be to locate the reference points, consulting with such municipal departments as may be interested to inform himself as to the system of local grades, and any existing ordinances that would call for formal permits, such as street obstructions, vault excavations, sidewalks, etc. Offset stakes or batter boards will be established for all corners or changes in direction of the building lines, care being exercised to so locate them that they will not be readily disturbed during the excavation period. One or more bench marks will be set up at convenient points against which all future building levels will be checked. The careful engineer will find time to re-check at frequent intervals all batter boards and benches until foundation operations have reached a point where there is no further danger of ground movement or other disturbance, and he will in particular make a re-check of all lines and corners before permitting any masonry work of foundations to proceed.

If the foundations are to project to some depth below the street or normal ground level, or in moving ground or apt to be of a hazardous nature, he will establish a series of benches on one or more piers of each of the adjacent buildings; also on all surrounding street curbs, street crowns, car tracks, or other points in the immediate vicinity that might be disturbed during the foundation construction. This disturbance or settlement may be expected through caving banks, yielding of street piling, borrowing of ground water or running sand. Freedom against same can best be assured by tight sheeting, properly braced and carried well in advance at all times of the excavation. Having established the aforementioned benches, periodic reading on same will be taken and a careful record of the results preserved. Unless startling conditions manifest themselves through cracks in the walls or pavements, weekly readings will probably be sufficient until such time as foundations have reached grade level, after which they may be discontinued. If the new structure is to be annexed to an existing building, with communication thereto at one or more levels, the engineer will take check readings on all floors of the old buildings to detect any departure of same from the assumed levels. If the information is not otherwise available, it will be well at this time to cross-section the site as then found, for the purpose of checking excavation quantities later on.

5. Photographs.—An extremely valuable supplement to the engineer's records can be obtained through the medium of photographs taken of the site before building operations are started. Such photographs should be identified by name, number and date scratched on the negative, or, better still, by a transparent label pasted thereon. A series of such photos taken at weekly or 10-day intervals throughout the entire construction period form an extremely instructive and invaluable record of the operations. If possible, photos should be taken from the same veiwpoints so as to better illustrate the progress during succeeding intervals.

6. Removal of Pipes, Wires, etc.—Service pipes, hydrants, lamp posts, mail boxes, poles, and wires which encroach on the site should be noted, identified for ownership, and the owners notified to remove or properly protect same.

7. Wrecking.—Before wrecking existing buildings, suitable precaution should be taken for protecting the public traffic and pedestrians. The size and location of the operation will determine the method to be adopted. A tight fence, 6 ft. high, at the curb line, turning the sidewalk traffic on to temporary walk laid in the gutter, may be sufficient. In more populated districts, and where the operation is to be of some length, it may be required to erect a shelter shed over the sidewalk, permitting the public to retain the use of same. Building ordinances of most municipalities cover this point and they should be consulted to provide against possible violations. If sidewalk vaults are to be incorporated in the new building, the walk way can be elevated above the normal grade a sufficient distance to facilitate the passing of materials beneath and into the lot as excavation proceeds. By erecting the shelter in this manner, it can in many instances be retained to serve throughout the entire construction of the new building. The supporting sills will be carried on temporary wooden bents until retaining or street walls are up and permanent sidewalk beams are in place.

The wrecking of frame structures presents no features requiring special preparations. Brick, steel, and concrete, however, cannot be successfully handled without a well studied program and more or less of an equipment plant, depending on the type of structure, ground area, and height. If more than three stories, brick and rubbish chutes will be found to be indispensable. Their erection should be such as to make easy delivery to wagons or trucks at the lower end. Except in cases of shallow buildings, the chutes should be located near the center of the building, thus equalizing the wheeling or handling on the working floor above. Temporary planked driveways may be provided for bringing the trucks or wagons to the bottom of the chutes.

7*a*. Disposal of Waste.—Driveways should be laid out so traffic is continuous in one direction. To accomplish this, enlarged openings may have to be provided through external walls of the ground story with consequent shoring, but the effort will be worth while, for speed on a wrecking operation is almost wholly dependent on ability to promptly move the resulting material and rubbish away from the site. Rubbish chutes are commonly built of 2 or 2½-in. plank, 30 to 36 in. square, erected vertically, in story lengths, with the splices directly above the successive floor lines. No bin is required and control at outlet is secured through a floating false bottom, full area of the chute, attached to long wooden lever. Brick chutes are composed of open troughs 30 in. wide and with 12-in. sides set at an angle of 45 deg. but reversed through each story to provide a zigzag path in the usual method.

7*b*. General Equipment for Wrecking.—For lowering steel members, pipe, and other heavy pieces of equipment that may be encountered, a pole or light derrick may be found necessary on the working floor. Materials are lowered through a court-way, if one is available,

or if not, a hatchway can be cleared through the various floor systems of sufficient size to pass the loads required. The acetylene torch will be found invaluable for dismembering the steel frame, cutting down pipe lines, reinforcing rods, or any other metal obstructions which may be met with. For heavy brick walls and reinforced concrete structures, the skull-cracker, or heavy cast-iron ball, suspended over the part to be shattered by a derrick boom and released for a free fall by means of a trigger attachment or magnet has proven of good economy. A 2-ton weight and a drop of 10 or 12 ft. will break down all but the most obstinate resistance with a few blows.

Wrecking operations are quite generally handled by specialists in that line, as they are the better equipped for disposing of the old materials than would be the ordinary builder. When sublet, it is customary to require the wrecker to remove exterior walls to grade lines and interior walls and footings to basement floor line.

PILE DRIVING

By Nathan C. Johnson

8. Hand Driving.—The driving of piling by hand is practicable only for very small round piles or sheet piling, and in soft materials, such as wet sand or mud. Where a trip hammer is available, this may in emergency be operated by splaying out the hammer line so that a large number of men can pull on it, hoist the hammer and drop it, but the method is uneconomical.

9. Horse Driving.—The use of a horse or a team to pull up the hammer by means of manila rope falls, or a horse-power drum is the simplest effective power for pile driving. The hammer must be arranged to trip and fall when it reaches a certain height or else have a trip line to drop it. The "horsepower" must also have a ratchet so that the line can be quickly overhauled for each drop of the hammer. This method will prove, however, to be very slow and expensive, as seldom more than 10 or 15 piles can be driven per day even where the penetration is small, and an engine should be obtained if possible.

10. Pile-driving Engines.—The pile-driving engine is a hoist engine with two drums, one of which operates the "hammer line," and the other one the "pile line" for hoisting piles into the leads. These lines should both be of ¾-in. or at most ⅞-in. plough steel wire rope. The hammer line should have a piece of manila line about 6 to 8 ft. long connecting the wire rope and the hammer in order to give some spring for quick handling of the hammer. The pile line should have about the same length of chain with a hook on the end of it to pass around the pile for hoisting. When the driving requires the use of jets, then a third shaft must be provided on the engine to carry two small drums, or two large niggerheads, to carry the lines for raising and lowering the jet pipes.

The size of a double cylinder engine for a drop hammer of 1600 lb. or less may be a 6¼ × 9; for a 3000-lb. hammer or less, a 7½ × 10 engine; and for a 4500-lb. hammer or less, an 8½ × 10 engine. Where a steam pile hammer is to be used, a separate 8½ × 10 hoist should be used, and a locomotive type of boiler of about 40 horsepower provided, which will also be large enough to supply steam for a 7½ × 4½ × 10 steam jetting pump.

11. Driver Leads or Gins.—The leads or gins for a driver should be from 7 to 10 ft. higher than the length of the piles to be driven; and for building foundations should have a very short base, with rollers for moving the rig about. These are standard in all locations, and if more details are required, a treatise on pile driving may be consulted.

The gins of a water-driver are mounted on a scow which is usually about 18 to 20 ft. by 60 ft., by 4 ft. deep. This scow is square at the end carrying the gins, and has a rake at the other end. The gins on a water-driver may be tipped forward for driving brace piles with a small batter, or have a set of false leads extended in front for piles having a large batter or the leads may be tipped. The driving of batter or brace piles with a land rig, is best accomplished with a pendulum driver in which the leads are pivoted and can be swung sidewise at the bottom to give the required batter.

12. Pile Hammers.—Drop hammers for steam drivers are from 2500 to 4500 lb. in weight, usually about 3000 lb. They should have 23½ × 6½ guides, to run in width of 24 in. and upon 6-in. leads. They should not be too long, and should have the weight largely concentrated at

the lower end. For horse driving they must have tripping tongs for releasing the hammer automatically when it reaches the top of the leads.

The steam pile hammer is made in several types of which the pile Warrington-Nasmyth single acting and the Arnott double acting, are among the best, the smaller sizes being used for sheet piles and the larger sizes for large round wood or concrete piles. The striking rams of the three sizes of the Warrington hammer, weighs respectively 550, 3000, and 4800 lb.; the latter hammer weighing complete 5 tons. The No. 3 Arnott hammer, suitable for large sheet pile work, has a total weight of 4500 lb. and a ram of 663 lb. The next to largest size, weighs 12,000 lb.; and has a 1548-lb. ram.

A steam hammer will strike from 60 to 70 blows per minute according to size and type, and will keep a pile moving more nearly continuously than will a plain drop hammer. The best results are obtained in the use of steam hammers in ordinary sand, gravel, or soft clay.

13. Jetting.—The use of jets is advantageous when a drop hammer is being used to drive piles in packed sand or very sandy gravel, or in soft firm clay. The functions of the jet pipes are to both lubricate the surface of the pile and to loosen the materials in the path of the pile with water delivered at a pressure of from 100 to 250 lb. per sq. in.

Two jets should be used if they can be arranged. When a single jet pipe is employed, it should be used first on one side of the pile and then on the other to keep the pile going straight. The jet pipes should not be fastened to the pile, but kept moving up and down the pile to extend the lubricated areas from below the point up to the surface of the ground and to keep inflowing soil clear of the sides of the pile.

The jet pipes should be 2½ to 3 in. double-strength pipe, with a ⅞-in. or 1-in. nozzle. *All bends should be of long sweep in order to diminish pipe friction losses of pressure.* The jet hose should be for 250-lb. pressure, and be clamped on to long nipples with 3 clamps on either side of the joint. The form of nozzle is of importance and should be adapted to the materials to be penetrated.

The pump and boiler capacity must be large enough to deliver the water at 175-lb. pressure for ordinary materials, and at about 250-lb. pressure for hard packed material. A vertical pressure balancing tank between pump and jet pipe is of material assistance in heavy jetting.

The use of a single jet is often effective in sand or fine gravel, if it is first run down full depth where the pile is to be driven; and upon pulling out the jet, if then placed immediately the pile can often be driven full depth without further jetting. Care should be taken in placing jetted piles not to overjet the hole, so that sufficient resistance is encountered by the pile to develop its full bearing power.

14. Pile Points.—When piles are of good hard timber, and are axed to a square point, they will drive in all but the hardest material or boulders, without metal points. But in very hard clay and coarse gravel with boulders, steel or cast-iron points are necessary to prevent brooming and to cut the way for the pile. The usual type of strap point is of very little use, as the pile will spread out around it in driving and often broom worse than when unprotected. The best form of point is a recessed circular cast-iron cone, with a rod cast in it to be driven into a slightly smaller hole cored into the tip end of the pile. This cast point, if made in the shape of a triangular pyramid, will cut its ways into much harder materials than will the conical or any other form of point.

15. Detail Equipment.—Wooden piles may be kept from brooming at the top during driving by a bonnet casting or else be ringed with iron rings of about ⅞ × 2½-in. size. Steam hammers may have a recessed base to go over the top of the pile but for drop hammer a similar bonnet of cast steel to run in the leads can be provided.

When piles have to be driven below water or at least below the leads, a follower must be employed. This follower can be made from a first-class piece of pile, which will often last better than one of hard wood. The follower must either be ringed or else have a bonnet casting fitting over the top, and must have a cast-steel base with a bonnet recess for fitting over the top of the pile.

Other equipment such as sledges, bars, dollies, ring pullers, and the like, are usually supplied with a driver.

16. Driving Concrete Piles.—Concrete piles, after curing for not less than three weeks of mild or warm weather, should stand more punishment in driving than wooden piles, but the top of the pile must be protected against shattering by a special cushion cap. This cap may consist of a steel casting having a top recess to receive an oak or hardwood follower block; and a bottom recess to be packed with old hose and rope and lastly with oak blocks to come in contact with the concrete. When the rope or blocks become burned through heat of driving or crushed solid, they must be renewed.

A hole through the center of a concrete pile as provision for jetting, is not so effective as jets used outside of the pile. Where the material into which the piles are being driven is very firm or packed, jets should be used and as much shock on the pile saved as is possible.

17. Cutting Off Piles.—When wooden piles have been driven with a follower cap, they are seldom broomed up, and therefore do not require cutting off to give a solid bearing on their tops. But when broomed up from ordinary driving they must be cut off square to solid timber, or if they are not driven down to proper level they must be cut off to proper height. This can be done in the dry by ordinary two-man cross cut saws, but when the cut-off is under water, they must be cut off by a diver or else by a circular saw working on a vertical shaft in the pile driver leads.

There are frequently cases where old piles require removal by cutting them off, and this can be done by a diver, or else by placing three sticks of dynamite around them and firing it by a battery.

18. Pulling Piles.—Steel sheet piles can easily be pulled with special pulling nippers into which the pile line is hooked, or else the hook of a wire rope set of falls. Holes may also be bored through the web of the piles at the top and a shackle bolted on. Reversing a double-acting steam hammer to strike upward, supporting the whole from a derrick, is also used successfully.

Wooden sheet piles or round piles are pulled by taking several turns around the top of a pile with a heavy chain, or with a wire rope sling, and hooking a set of double or triple wire rope blocks into it. It may be necessary to keep hold of a pile for some time to overcome suction before it starts, but if it does not start readily, a blow or two from the pile hammer may loosen it. Jetting around piles is also of assistance in loosening them as they are being pulled upon.

The use of levers and jacks for pulling piles in soft material is often effective, but for any large number some power rig should be used.

EXCAVATING

By A. G. Moulton

Excavating, with the attendant grading, is necessary in every building enterprise. Generally being the first branch of the work undertaken, it is often unconsciously called upon to bear many of the organization expenses that might be more correctly prorated against the succeeding trades. For that reason, a carefully studied program should be mapped out before starting work to be sure that proper methods are chosen and all economies observed.

19. Equipment for Excavating.—Local conditions vary so with each building operation that anything more than a brief description or reference to the proven methods and various types of equipment for excavating purposes would be useless in an article of this kind.

In the case of excavation for solid foundation walls and piers, where the work would be mainly pick and shovel, and the excavated material disposed of by wasting on the banks, or transferred by wheel barrows in the immediate vicinity; or in the case of basement excavation where the ground may be broken up by a plow and removed beyond the building lines by two horse scrapers or slips, or directly loaded into wagons or trucks which have been driven into the excavated area; or even in the case of the larger excavations where the steam shovel becomes a possibility, there is not much danger of a mistake in choice as to method. It is in the deep basement work through varying conditions of soil that the opportunity for careful study of plant layout is encountered.

20. Steam Shovel Excavating.—Where 1500 yd. or more are involved, and where the width of the lot will permit a full swing, it is generally conceded that, except in rock work, the small revolving steam shovel running on tractor equipment provides the most economical tool. On the first cut through, the wagons or trucks are loaded while standing on the grade. When the depth of the cut exceeds the limit of the shovel, it becomes necessary to introduce the bridge or inclined driveway to bring the trucks down to the floor of the cut. A booster engine set on the grade level to pull or ease the loads out, will permit of a sharper incline.

When the depth of cut reaches a point that will prohibit the further use of an incline, other features will have been introduced in the way of holding or shoring of banks with consequent restriction on working area as to render unprofitable the further use of the shovel. If the basement is to go to still further depth, then hand work will be resorted to and the excavated materials carried to above street level and deposited in chutes or hoppers for easy transfer to trucks at that point. The elevation may be obtained either through small cars and barrows on platform hoists or in buckets operated by boom derricks. On such work, the use of the clam-shell will not be practical, as the cross lot bracing for supporting street banks would cause too much interference.

21. Shoring, Sheeting, and Underpinning.—The holding or shoring of street banks and underpinning of adjoining structures, often presents quite serious complications especially if the excavation is to be carried to some depth through treacherous soil. In such instances, the expedient is sometimes adopted of sinking a trench full depth, on the line or curb wall, in advance of the general excavation. This trench may be opened in sections if the entire frontage involved would be too great to handle safely in one operation. The trench will be sheeted tight or not, depending upon the character of the soil, and cross braced with struts and wedges. On heavy work, screws are introduced to make up for ground movement and settlement. Up to 15 ft. in depth, the material from such a trench may be benched out by hand. Beyond that depth, the excavated material should be passed up by mechanical means, such as buckets operated by hand winches or boom derricks. The trench having been completed, the wall is next constructed and upon acquiring normal strength the general excavation of the basement proceeds. Temporary supports to help resist the earth pressure must be given the wall from the inside as the ground is removed. This is generally obtained through batter braces, which are left in place until the building columns and permanent framing have been installed.

21*a*. Sheet Piling and Shifting Soils.—Where ground conditions are good, such as in clay, or compact sand and gravel, the above method with its great amount of hand work would be too expensive. In such cases, the general excavation would be carried down the full area of the lot and the banks left at sufficient slope to stand alone, or skeleton braced from the inside. In dry sand and running soil, a tight sheet piling will be required. This may be composed of vertical planks, square-edged or matched as the case may require, and driven through by hand or by small sheet hammers operating on steam or compressed air. When water is to be encountered, a system of steel interlocking sheet piling will possibly be chosen.

Any type of sheet piling will require bracing to hold it in position, and the proper erection of this bracing, so as to permit the later carrying up of permanent walls, should receive due consideration. Instead of building them in, leaving a hole to be plugged later, it is generally preferable to strike the braces as the work goes up, replacing same on the inside of the wall.

21*b*. Protection of Adjacent Structures.—The holding and shoring of adjoining buildings generally presents so many elements of risk, that, unless it is a relatively simple operation, this branch of the work had better be entrusted to specialists in that line.

Underpinning where the soil is unyielding can be carried out successfully and without great danger if due precaution is given to the number and length of the different sections which are to be worked on simultaneously. These should not be too close together and generally not in lengths over 6 or 8 ft., and the load of the structure should be brought to bear on the new work before opening up an adjoining section. This is accomplished by means of slim metal wedges inserted between specially prepared stone wedging blocks built into the underpinning and driven home after the masonry has taken a set. If the soil is particularly unyielding, the same results can be obtained by a wedge course of brick inserted by the mason as he tops off the underpinning work. When using the sectional method, little or no timbering will be required beyond an occasional spur brace to overcome tendency of the old wall to slip. If the old wall is in poor condition, or the soil under it inclined to be treacherous, needling of the wall had better be resorted to and the aid of a specialist secured.

22. Rock Excavation.—Rock excavation is carried on by the aid of explosives and in most communities not only is a licensed powder man required to do the shooting, but regulations are also provided covering the manner in which the dynamite may be handled and stored. On small work, hand drills are successfully used, but where the yardage to be removed is great, steam or air drills should be provided. The use of the explosive is to lift the rock slightly and break it up into sizes convenient for disposal. The number and size of the respective charges is dependent upon the surrounding conditions, and the supervision of this class of work should be entrusted only to those who are thoroughly familiar with its possibilities. After being

shattered, the rock is loaded in skips or buckets and removed from the basement by a boom derrick or picked up by a steam shovel and deposited into trucks or cars.

23. Open Caissons.—Caisson excavation may be carried on in the open or by means of locks and compressed air, the latter expedient being adopted only when excessive water conditions preclude the open method.

For building footings, caissons are generally designed circular in form, varying from 4 to 10 ft. in diameter and carried down either to bed rock, or stopped off and belled out on some convenient strata of hardpan. Under the former condition, depths of 100 ft. and upward are sometimes encountered. Excavation is done by hand, the excavated material being lifted to the surface by buckets suspended over the mouth of the well and raised and lowered through the agency of a niggerhead, the mechanism receiving its power through a traction cable lead from a conveniently placed hoisting engine. Ten to fourteen wells comprise a set up and are commonly run from one engine. This provides a constant speed for all the niggerheads, and the individual operator at the head of each well on signal from below raises the filled bucket by taking 2 or 3 wraps of the hoisting line over the niggerhead. The excavation is carried down to a depth of 5 ft. 4 in. and then lagged with 2- or 3-in. matched lumber, the lagging being held in place by metal rings inserted two to each length of lagging. The rings are rolled out of flat bars and made up in two sections to the ring. After being brought to position, the two halves are bolted together at the ends and wedged tightly against the lagging. The excavation then proceeds for another stretch and repeats until the bottom has been reached.

When working through wet ground, bailing may not be sufficient and pumps may be required. For this purpose, steam syphons or pulsometer pumps will be found most convenient. Sections of steel lagging may be required if the ground is very soft, but its use is not always attended with satisfaction. Continued pumping of a well with little or no headway shown is bad practice, and will lead to sure trouble on adjacent wells. When such conditions arise, pumping should be discontinued and every effort first exhausted to stop the inflow of water and sand by tightening up the lagging. An inner set of sufficient length driven ahead of the excavation may make it possible to pass the soft spot. This procedure, however, is at the expense of a reduced area on the caisson, and for that reason may not be permissible. The use of hay or straw for packing back of the wooden lagging will often overcome water difficulties which otherwise seem insurmountable.

Electric lights and, in some cases, forced ventilation will be required for the workmen at the bottom of the wells.

When wells are belled out, it is not customary to lag the last section but to immediately fill it with concrete as soon as it has been shaped up and cleaned out.

The rings may be salvaged as the concreting is brought up, but the lagging is left in place.

24. Compressed Air Caissons.—In ground conditions where water or quicksand would make open work impractical, compressed air is resorted to. In this work caissons are carried down in the open as far as possible and then an air-lock is installed at the head of the well. Through this vestibule, which by the manipulation of valves is alternately under normal and then at an increased air pressure which varies with the requirements, all workmen and excavated material must pass. The air pressure in the working chamber is kept at a point just sufficient to exclude the incoming water and, to a workman accustomed to it, little or no inconvenience will result.

Experienced men only should be used on this class of work, and every precaution should be taken to see that the compressor plant and all other apparatus is in first-class working order. The use of naked lights should be prohibited, as combustion will be found much more rapid than when exposed under normal pressure.

In the majority of cases, it will be found desirable to start caisson work from the normal ground level rather than to await the completion of basement excavation. The additional expense of hand over steam shovel labor for the yardage included in the caisson tops, will be more than compensated for by the saving in time to the building schedule and also the greater convenience in removing the caisson dirt from the premises.

FOUNDATION WORK

By A. G. Moulton

The term foundation work is generally considered to cover the construction of all supporting masonry including embedded steel up to that level known as grade. It may comprise curb and area walls, retaining walls, isolated column footings, foundation girders, wall footings, elevator pits, machine foundations, etc. The difficulties attending upon foundation work will be found to increase almost directly proportionate with its depth.

In present day practice, concrete is almost universally used for foundations. On smaller buildings such use may be restricted to footings only, with the retaining or foundation walls themselves run up in brick or hollow tile, but on larger work, where greater strength is required to resist earth pressure, concrete, either plain or reinforced, will be the probable choice. The general excavation or grading having been completed and footing trenches and piers opened up, concreting of same should immediately follow. If the soil will stand unsupported, forms are not necessarily required for a footing course, and the excavation should be made to neat lines.

25. Pumping of Excavations.—On all foundation work, pumping equipment of some kind should be provided so that trenches and pits can be pumped out before concreting is undertaken. The size and scope of the undertaking will determine the capacity and number of pumps required. These may be anything from the small hand operated diaphragm pump up to the larger capacity centrifugal and triplex types electrically or steam driven. The diaphragm pump, mounted on skids or trucks and gasoline driven, will find its use on any foundation job. For the deeper pits, the steam syphon or the pulsometer type of pump will probably give the best results. A liberal boiler capacity should be provided, however, if they are chosen. If the lift to the sewer or surface is so great as to require pressure pumps, it will be found desirable to first gather the ground water in a sump pit or temporary basin by means of diaphragm pumps, so that the sand and grit may settle out before being lifted.

It should be remembered that in open basements, particularly in clay where the surface water does not readily soak away, a 3-in. rain fall may tie up the entire operation for 48 hr. or longer. Under such conditions, a pumping plant of adequate capacity is always a good investment.

26. Damage to Excavations by Rainfall and Surface Water.—Proper protection should be afforded against damage from surface water flowing into the excavation from neighboring streets. At the height of a heavy rain storm, with the sewers taxed to their capacity, this may become a serious menace to the work, particularly if the street banks are sheet piled and the surface water finds entrance behind the sheeting. A small earth or sand dam thrown up on the street beforehand, parallel to the work, may prevent this damage.

Precaution should be taken to see that old sewer stubs entering the site are solidly blocked up to resist a back flow, and that all street sewers and water mains that have been exposed are substantially shored or braced.

27. Concreting Plant.—In choosing the proper type of concreting plant for any particular job, so many factors must enter into consideration that nothing but the most general suggestions would be of value here. Ordinarily, that type which is the most conservative on hand labor should be the adopted one. Mechanical concrete mixers are now obtainable in so many sizes and types that one will be found to meet any given condition of foundation work. As a result, hand mixed concrete is now seldom to be considered.

For street and curb walls, the small two and one bag mixers that can be readily moved from place to place and the charge spouted direct into the forms, will probably be found the most economical unit. For column footings, where the individual yardage is not sufficient to warrant the progressive movement of the mixer, the ½- or ¾-yd. mixers and concrete buggies will provide the solution.

For caisson work, where the yardage in each pier is considerable, a permanently established mixer serving through 1-yd. tilting cars on a narrow gage track, will give good satisfaction. Upon being dumped, the cars deliver their load into a portable receiving hopper suspended at the top of the well, and from there to the bottom through a flexible telescopic spout. This spout, approximately 10 in. in diameter, of light iron, is made up in sectional lengths of about 4 ft. each, the sections being removed from the bottom as the concrete rises in the well.

The use of a tower with gravity chutes for light foundation work will not as a general rule work out economically. If on the other hand, however, the character of the superstructure indicates the gravity system as being proper, its early installation and use on the foundations would be permissible.

Generally speaking, when in doubt as to the capacity of the mixer required, select the smaller size. This leaves you in a position where with a steady run-off before you, you can speed up the number of batches to readily obtain the desired output, whereas with an interrupted flow, the idle forces back of the mixer will be at a minimum. With the larger mixer under such conditions all lost or idle time is correspondingly felt on the payroll.

Availability of storage space and convenience of delivery for the dry materials are important determining factors in the selection and location of the plant. It should be remembered that the opportunities are infinitely greater for wasting labor back of a mixer than in front of it.

28. Forms and Reinforcement for Foundations.—Form work and the placing of reinforcement for foundation work does not, as a rule, present the problems that are present in superstructure work. Piers and footing courses require only the simplest knowledge of form building, and the wall forms are the only ones that may call for a show in skillful design. The general subject of forms, their design and construction, is considered in Art. 39.

29. Waterproofing of Foundations and Basements.[1]—Waterproofing of basements is so intimately connected with foundation work that it is well to consider it at this point.

Various methods of waterproofing are in use, any one of which may be encountered by the builder. There is the integral compound, either powder or liquid in form, which is introduced in the concrete at the time of mixing, and directions for the use of which are furnished by the manufacturer. Another method is the coating of the finished wall with special preparations, such as ironite or the hydrolithic compounds. These are usually applied to the interior face of the wall, permitting the work to be done at any convenient time. A third method is the coating of the exterior of the wall with coal tar pitch, in which is embedded two or more plies of roofing felt.

When conditions require a so-called pressure basement, a connecting strip of felt and tar is carried through all exterior walls as well as over all column footings at a level a few inches below the finished basement floor. After the walls are finished, the coating on the back of the walls is applied and connected to a lap provided on these horizontal strips and eventually it is also connected up to a sheet which extends under the entire basement floor. For basements which are under a constant head of water, this is one of the most successful methods, and if carried out with due care will provide ample and lasting protection. When it is impractical to provide sufficient space in which to apply the exterior coating on walls after they are in place, the felt and tar may be mopped on to a 4-in. brick or tile wall, which is run up in advance and against which the permanent wall is then installed. If this be of concrete construction, then the vertical felt course as well as all horizontal ones should be protected against damage by a safety course of cement mortar trowelled on.

Pressure should be relieved until the last through some conveniently located sump pit at which time this place may be sealed; and if the waterproofing is skillfully applied the basement will be tight thereafter.

STRUCTURAL STEEL WORK

By A. G. Moulton

Structural steel is utilized so frequently in the various phases of building construction that a general knowledge of its proper and economical handling is most essential. Aside from its use as sheet piling, and in superstructure work, steel is used to some extent in building operations as grillage beams and foundation girders which support the column bases or stools, which, in turn, carry the columns. In some designs the cast stools will be eliminated and rolled or cast steel billets substituted.

30. Setting Grillages.—Grillage is commonly used as two sets of steel beams on each footing—one placed on top of the other, but reversed as to direction of length. The individual beams making up a set of grillage are tied together by means of bolts and pipe supporters, and wherever the assembled unit is not beyond the capacity of the field forces to handle, it will be found desirable to have the assembling done at the mill.

The concrete of footings or piers where it receives the grillage should be left by the mason 2 or 3 in. below the final level so as to enable the more accurate setting of screeds. Should there be a division of responsibility between

[1] For a more complete treatment, see Hool and Johnson's "Concrete Engineers' Handbook," pp. 82 to 90.

the mason and the steel erectors, the best results will be obtained by having the mason set the screeds. These should be brought to exact level by engineers' instruments and solidly grouted into place. Pieces of 1½-in. angle back up, or wooden strips about 1 × 1½ in., make satisfactory screeds. Grillage beams are adjusted for position laterally by means of lines stretched through, on column center points and projected down by the aid of small plumb bobs. If an engineer's transit is available, more exact work will be obtainable. An accurate set of grillage beams, which means the same for stools and columns, is well worth the effort to obtain. A tolerance of ⅛ in., plus and minus, both in level and line is unsatisfactory practice.

As soon as beams have been set and checked by the engineer, they should be concreted in to guard against accidental shifting. On the top set, hand-hold clearance should be left to insert column bolts, if same are required.

31. Equipment For Erecting Steel Frame Buildings.—On steel frame buildings, the erection equipment will be delivered and set up while the foundation work is being carried on. The selection as to type of derrick is governed by the size of the building site and the character of the work to be handled. If it is such as to give proper play to the revolving boom, then either a guy derrick, stiff leg, or the so-called Chicago boom, may be used. Where proper guying can be obtained and on lots 40 ft. or more in width, the guy derrick will prove the most economical. Where suitable anchorage is difficult to find, or where the guys themselves would be objectionable, as on narrow corner lots, the stiff leg derrick will probably be chosen. On narrow lots, with neighboring building on one or both sides, of height equal or greater than the new building, then the Chicago boom may be used. This presupposes that the consent of the adjoining owner for such use of his structure can be obtained. The expedient of setting the derrick on top of the adjoining building should be adopted only as a last resort. Greater initial cost, the discomfort of tenants through vibration and confusion of workmen going to and from the roof, the expense of keeping roof in water-tight condition during operation, and the permanent repairs later, will all go to more than offset any saving gained through not having to make additional moves in carrying the derrick up with the new work.

32. Locating Derricks for Erection.—Having chosen the type and number of derricks required, the exact location of mast centers should be duly determined. This should be such as will allow the greatest range of action over the building area, suitable consideration being given to the point from which loads of steel will be received, and sufficient length of boom reserved for that purpose.

33. Cycle of Erecting Operations with Derricks.—With the guy derrick, full revolution of the boom, or 360 deg., is possible; with the stiff leg but 270 deg. can be reached with full swing; and with the Chicago boom but 180 deg. The greater range of the guy derrick makes it much to be preferred. For building work, booms from 75 to 90 ft. in length are used. A guy derrick with an 85-ft. boom will develop the greatest efficiency when serving an area of approximately 10,000 sq. ft. The tonnage involved in such area, will generally work out so as to provide a 4-day cycle between raises. When two or more derricks are engaged on the same operation, precision of raises must be observed—otherwise, confusion will result in the shipping, hauling, and unloading of steel at the building site. The expense of an idle derrick with full crew waiting for steel is such that any departure from the estimated schedule is promptly disclosed through the daily cost statements.

On a 4-day cycle, one day will be required in receiving the steel and elevating it to the working floor. Such columns as will not obstruct the play of the boom will be set between loads. The second day will be used in sorting out the various beams and girders and throwing them out on the working floor in the various panels to which they belong. When sorting steel, the boom should never swing without a load, and the active foreman will so arrange his work. Sorting hooks are used for handling individual beams and, as soon as a number of beams for the same panel have been found, a sling is thrown around them and they are delivered to the proper location. The third day, the erection of the two tiers above the working floor is made, and on the fourth day the derrick is closed in and raised to the new level, and planking laid for the next working floor.

When working on shops, factory buildings, and other low structures where the tonnage is mainly in crane girders and roof trusses, one or more poles working abreast and moved back out of the way of the advancing work, will be the method chosen. On such class of work, if the tonnage is sufficient and direct, and railroad connection is convenient, the locomotive crane will be found more economical than the poles. On heavier and higher structures, such as train sheds, power houses, etc., which exceed the working range of either poles or locomotive cranes, resort is then had to the traveler, with one or two booms mounted on same, as conditions may require.

34. Choice of Power for Derricks.—Wherever electric power is available, it is generally to be preferred over steam for the derrick hoists, particularly on high buildings, where to over-

come the excessive drum size required to hold the necessary length of cable otherwise required, the hoists are themselves raised to levels midway in the building. Greater cleanliness, the avoidance of the coal and ash problem, to say nothing of the time saved in not having to raise steam, are all in favor of the electric equipment.

35. Bolting and Plumbing of Superstructure.—As steel work is erected, it is loosely bolted by the connectors, except in those panels which carry the load of the derrick. These sections should be bolted up 100 %, and all tie-rods, if any, inserted and drawn to place before the derricks are raised. Before riveting is started, certain plumbing of columns may be required. Generally, this will be found in connection with the corners of the building and those columns adjacent to the elevator shafts. The great refinement which has entered into both shop detailing and fabrication of steel work during recent years, has made unnecessary, to a large extent, the plumbing heretofore required. Where plumbing is needed, it is accomplished by means of diagonal cables strung in a vertical plane and tightened by means of turn-buckles or steamboat ratchets. As soon as the work is riveted, the plumbing guys can be removed.

36. Riveting.—With good average workmanship on the part of the fabricating shop, it is possible to start driving on the floor panels as soon as the beams have been raised to position and by keeping one or more riveting gangs engaged above the working floor, or that where the derrick sets, they will have the top tier driven before the deck planking is raised to become the new working floor. The riveters then drop back and catch the intermediate tier, returning again on the third day to the new upper level and the cycle is repeated. This method is extremely valuable as a time saver, inasmuch as it permits the centering for the floor system to keep directly behind the derricks.

37. Steelwork the Pacemaker.—Steelwork being one of the principal lines of work, should be made the pacemaker for the balance of the trades; therefore, it is doubly essential that a good, clean job, with all points caught up as it goes, should be given. With such an example, other trades are more apt to accept the invitation and follow along similar lines. On the other hand, if the job is not cleaned up as it goes, and the riveting or painting is allowed to drag, then the effect will be immediate, the following trades will be strung out to unnecessary limits, and the progress of the whole building will suffer delay.

FLOOR CONSTRUCTION

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Uniformly progressive installation of the various floor systems in a building, whatever may be their type, is a healthful indication of the progress of the structure as a whole. The more even the rate at which floors are installed, and in steel frame buildings, the more closely their construction is kept up with that of the supporting steel or walls, the better will be that building's progress. This, perhaps, will be more readily understood when it is considered that on buildings of more than the one floor level each succeeding floor system as installed furnishes just that needed additional space on which to advance the trades in sequence, and provides an opening for the next and newest trade on the lower level.

Ordinarily, the normal progress of trades up to the point of plastering is through the building from the bottom up. From that point on, in fireproof buildings of 8 stories and under, other conditions enter into consideration and it may be found advisable to start the finishing trades from the top and work downward. On buildings above 8 stories in height, where a normal schedule has been maintained, this change in direction can be made only at the expense of a definite delay in the final completion of the building.

In view of the importance of the rate at which floors are constructed, it can be seen that every effort should be made to schedule the delivery of materials so that the floor installations may proceed uninterrupted at the predetermined pace.

38. Centering for Floors.—In all cases, some type of centering or forms will be required, the selection and design of which are usually left to the discretion of the builder. Having reached

a decision as to the type, consideration is then given as to the quantity of centering which should be provided in order to give uninterrupted service. Reference to the building schedule indicates the allotted time from finish to finish of the respective floor systems, while the type of system and the season of year in which the construction is proceeding determines the length of time that should elapse between the placing and stripping of a set of forms or centers. With these two factors known, the extent of centering required will easily be determined.

On steel frame buildings with short or semi-long span arch construction, the centering can be hung from above with considerable advantage, inasmuch as it leaves the story below unobstructed by shores or props. For the long-span arch the support from below provides the more feasible method.

39. Forms for Concrete.[1]—In the design of forms, centers, and other false work, careful consideration should be given to the probable methods of removal—that is, the design should be such that the forms can be taken down with a minimum of effort and with the least possible damage to the parts involved. This will be better realized when it is understood that over half the expense of concrete construction is made up in form costs plus the labor of removal. As a consequence, any labor economy of this nature that can be incorporated in the design will be found to multiply itself throughout the building, since the forms, through easy handling, are capable of being re-used. If satisfactory results are to be obtained, careful attention should be given to the kind and type of lumber to be employed, to the arrangement of joints at internal angles where one section abuts another, to the adjustment of supports and props so as to permit of early and partial stripping, to the application of form oil or other coating to the inside of forms before using, to the cure of that ever prevalent abuse of unnecessary nailing, and to the limited use of camber in girder and beam forms. On buildings of multiple stories, where forms are used on an average of three or four times, it can be safely assumed that, if the above precautions are taken to make possible such re-use, then all the initial requirements as to stability and tightness will likewise have been covered.

The knowledge and experience of the builder will generally enable him to select proper sizes of lumber and supports without resort to special calculations. If in doubt, however, reference can be had to the many tables which have been prepared on the subject, and which are available for all conditions usually to be met with. Methods by which the concrete will be transferred to the forms should be considered, and sufficient bracing be provided to compensate for undue loads from that source. Horizontal members should be able to support the weight of concrete and the construction load. Vertical members must resist a hydrostatic pressure of about 145 lb. for each vertical foot of height.

On all types of concrete arches between steel beams, it is highly desirable to keep the runway plank and workmen off the centers or panels as much as possible. The location of runway plank should be determined in advance, and proper supports provided that will not interfere with reinforcement and other items entering into the construction.

On all operations of importance—and it is hard to conceive any items of structural concrete which would not classify as such—a careful and well organized system of inspection should be provided that shall remain in force from the time the forms are started until their final removal from the building. Such service is a necessary part of the contractor's organization, even though supplemented by the owner or designing engineer. Individual inspectors should be carefully instructed as to their respective duties, and a comprehensive system of daily reports installed to insure their adherence thereto.

The quality of dry materials, the method of storage, the handling and proportioning of the materials, the erection and thorough cleaning of forms before filling, the operation of pouring, the watching against possible settlements or distortions of forms during that period, the care of concrete surfaces while undergoing the setting process, as well as the proper length of time to intervene before stripping, are all matters of too vital importance to impose upon the unsupported judgment of the construction foreman. He, as a rule, is too engrossed with the question of speed and initial cost to make possible an appraisal of such items at their true value.

39*a*. Lumber Forms.—Spruce and pine, either Norway or Southern, are the lumbers most generally used for form work, partially seasoned wood being the best. Hemlock is not desirable for forms owing to its inability to weather while standing exposed. For all surfaces where the concrete is to be later exposed, dressed lumber should be used. For flat surfaces, such as wall or floor panels, shiplap is preferable, although tongue-and-groove is satisfactory, and even square edge may be used if precaution is taken to provide sufficient supporting members to prevent buckling of the individual boards. For columns and girder bottoms,

[1] For a complete treatment of "Forms" including their design, see Hool and Johnson's "Concrete Engineers' Handbook," pp. 93 to 137.

2-in. stock, and for floor panels and beam and girder sides, 1-in. stock may be used; while footings may take either 1-in. or 2-in. stock, depending upon local conditions. The use of uprights of 3 × 4 in. or 4 × 4 in., spaced from 3 to 6 ft. apart, is the usual practice.

39b. Finish of Forms.—All interior surfaces of forms should be dressed true to give good surfaces to the casting, free from joint and other marks. On exposed work, all sharp corners should be bevelled by inserting small triangular strips in the forms. After forms have been erected, ice and snow should not be allowed to collect therein, and, if so, such accumulations should be removed before concrete is deposited. If forms are allowed to stand for any considerable period before filling, shrinkage cracks will have to be taken up and all supporting timbers and braces gone over and tightened before pouring is resumed

To give specially smooth surfaces and to prevent the production of grain in the concrete surface, as well as to permit easy removal of forms, the interior surfaces may be coated with soft soap, or with form oil, which is crude, or other heavy mineral oil.

39c. **Removal of Forms.**—The elapsed time within which forms may be removed with safety, is not entirely a matter of individual judgment. The normal process through which setting concrete passes is such that, with the standard proportions and mixes now universally used, a minimum period is definitely established, below which the forms can not be disturbed without permanent impairment of the work. This minimum, under most favorable weather conditions, can be assumed at 5 days for vertical compression members, such as columns and walls, and from 7 to 10 days for such other members as are subject to bending stresses. From this up to the maximum period, the elapsed time should increase in widening ratio, depending upon the departure from normal of the three following factors: (1) the consistency of the original mix; (2) the temperature encountered in the first 7 days; and (3) the atmospheric conditions in the same period, with particular reference as to its humidity. Short of freezing weather, the maximum period should not exceed 21 days.

Before striking any set of centers, inspection of the work should be made, and its soundness determined by tapping with some heavy object, the resultant ring indicating the degree of hardness then obtaining. Care should be taken not to mistake frozen concrete for that which has set; and for this purpose the system of daily reports heretofore mentioned should be referred to.

The successful removal of forms is an operation requiring considerable skill, and unless carefully watched will undoubtedly be responsible for many unsuspected drains upon the payroll, to say nothing of the lumber pile. The foreman or superintendent who will personally supervise the striking of a set of difficult forms will never thereafter be caught with a poor design, or permit careless and faulty work in the erection.

Forms for circular columns and for flaring column heads, are quite generally of steel. Steel forms for floor and wall forms are also coming into extended use. They are made sectionally and in extensionable units to provide easy handling and adaptability to varying constructions. Steel forms give a full, smooth finish to the concrete surface, and have a high salvage value.

40. Bending and Placing Reinforcement.[1]—Steel should be checked, assorted, and stored as soon as it is delivered at the site. It should be blocked up free from the ground, and should be stored in such a manner that those rods needed first may be easily reached.

In localities where trade custom permits, the bending of reinforcement can quite often be done more economically at the mill than at the building site. Where this is not the case, suitable equipment, in the way of bending machines, many varieties of which are now on the market, should be provided, and will be found a good investment, particularly if the tonnage is heavy and the bends are complicated. For light tonnage and simple bends, a very satisfactory makeshift can be devised on a home-made bench with the aid of dowels or pins adjustable in position to suit the varying templates, and a piece of pipe to act as lever in applying the necessary bending force.

All ordinary bending is done cold. Only when working in sizes 1¼ in. and over will heat be required, and then only to a low degree. The bending force should be applied gradually, as a jerk is liable to snap or break the bars, particularly in the high grade and rerolled steels.

It will be found advisable to so arrange that all rods of the same size and shape are bent at one time, so as to avoid the resetting of templates.

[1] See also Sect. 6, Art. 13; for more complete treatment see Hool and Johnson's, "Concrete Engineers' Handbook," pp. 139 to 146.

In the placing of reinforcement, the importance of a thorough supervision and inspection cannot be too greatly enlarged upon. Whether it be in the shape of rods, spirals, stirrups, fabric, or lath, the accurate placement and adjustment to position, so that it may not be displaced during subsequent operations, are details deserving of the closest attention. Not only is the safety of the work involved, but through the application of systematic principles, improved costs will likewise be found to result. For the proper spacing and support of reinforcement in the forms, many ingenious devices, such as chairs, clips, and spacers have been perfected and their use can often be recommended.

Steel should be thoroughly cleaned before being placed in the forms, in order to obtain a positive adhesion of the concrete to the steel. A slight film of rod rust is not objectionable, but no rod should be set in place on which rust scales have formed.

The fabrication of beam and girder reinforcement into units before placing, similar to that followed for columns, will, in many instances, work out to advantage both in time and money.

After reinforcement has been placed, and just before pouring, a thorough inspection should be made to determine whether all metal required by the plans has been supplied, that the forms are clean, and that all inserts, hangers, pipes, and other auxiliaries are in their proper position. On combination arches, filler tile, if broken, should be replaced, and the tile which have been disturbed again brought into alignment. In extremely dry and hot weather, a drenching of forms with water just before the concrete is deposited, will prevent excessive absorption and consequent robbing of water from the concrete mix.

41. Handling and Storage of Concrete Materials.—Satisfactory construction in concrete cannot be obtained if slipshod methods are allowed to dominate the field practice. While the quality and selection of materials entering into the work are generally determined by the purchasing or contract departments, the burden of final responsibility always rests with the field organization, who by the acceptance of inferior materials, may entirely defeat the promises of the most carefully prepared designs. Not only is the quality of the various materials to be watched, but the method of job handling and storage should be so worked out that no opportunity for their deterioration is permitted after delivery and before actual use.

In this respect, different operations require different treatment. On some, it may be quite sufficient to rely on daily deliveries of the stone, sand, and cement required. On others, where delivery facilities cannot be so well depended upon, a stock reserve will have to be provided. This may be either ground storage with planks beneath to prevent contamination from earth and other foreign matter, or it may take the shape of bins, should the storage involved be sufficient to warrant their construction. On large operations, where concreting is proceeding more or less continuously, the use of hoppers or bins becomes almost mandatory, and this is particularly true where a direct rail delivery of materials is had to the job. For filling such bins, use is made of either the continuous bucket conveyor, skip buckets operated by a hoist cable, or the clam-shell type of grab bucket, the latter being the more flexible arrangement if the equipment is available and if also there is space within which to operate. If storage bins can be set up so as to feed direct to the mixer, a second handling and considerable labor will be saved.

Remembering that the useful performance of cement is brought about through its chemical union with water during the mixing with other materials, it follows that storage of cement, whether in bags or bulk, should be in dry, air-tight storage rooms. Cement is avid for water at all times, and exposure to dampness in any degree before use proportionately lessens its ability when called upon to give useful service. Cement may be delivered in bags, barrels, or bulk. The latter method has many advocates, and when its use is permitted, the greatly lessened labor cost of handling will usually compensate for any risks taken in shipment. For bagged cement, gravity unloaders leading from the car or truck to the warehouse floor can be used to advantage. Individual shipments of cement should not be allowed to collect and remain for extended periods in job storage. Even at the expense of extra labor, if that be necessary, the older cement should be identified and worked up at frequent intervals.

The important relation which exists between the value of the empty cement container and that commodity itself is quite often underestimated by even those who should be the most interested. With cloth sacks carrying a reclaim value of 15c. each, it can be seen that from 20 to 25% of the initial cost per barrel is made up in this one item, and, as a consequence, any unaccounted for or damaged bags can produce a very marked effect on the cost units. One prolific source of loss comes through the original acceptance from the dealer of damaged or unsound bags, and a rigid inspection at time of delivery should be instituted to guard against such practice. Empty cement bags should be collected daily from each mixer, and suitably protected from the weather and against pilfering until they can be counted and bundled for return to the manufacturer.

The informal use of bags by workmen for protective coverings, foot wear, aprons, tool bags, etc., should at all times be prohibited.

Before bundling, each bag should be shaken in order to reclaim as much loose cement as possible. It has been estimated that the average waste per bag is ¾ lb. from this source alone. Mechanical bag shakers have been devised for this purpose, and are being successfully used on many operations.

42. Measurement of Materials.—In the proportioning and measurement of the several ingredients entering into concrete, long and continued custom has developed certain general methods which, while they do not by any means approach laboratory practice, at least, when handled with judgment, provide a certain amount of consistency of practice against the faults of which the designing engineer can and does guard by the selection of proper safety factors.

It is therefore essential that when 1–2–4 or 1–3–5 mix is specified, that the workmen and those in charge understand and can place the proper trade interpretation on the requirements. Ordinarily, a barrow of stone or sand used for charging purposes, is taken at 2 cu. ft., while the commercial bag of cement is considered as having a content of 1 cu. ft.

43. Mixing Concrete.—Mechanical mixers are now procurable in such sizes that any of the standard mixes can be run through at full batch capacity without resorting to split bags of cement. Water should be introduced only in measured quantities. Clean water only should be used, and having once found the quantity per batch required for the desired consistency, that amount only should be used for all subsequent batches that are formed from the same aggregate.

A daily count of all batches turned out by any one mixer should be kept by the workman, against which can be checked its total consumption of cement. If followed up consistently this will aid in detecting any departure from the uniform mix. Mechanical mixers are now built in so many different sizes that one will be found suitable for even the smallest of operations. As a result, hand-mixed concrete in these days has almost entirely disappeared from building construction practice.

44. Transporting Concrete.—The safe and economical transportation of concrete from the mixer to the forms is a subject always to be accorded the most careful consideration—not that the proven methods are innumerable, or in themselves greatly at variance, but so that the particular concrete operation under study is viewed in the proper relation which it bears to the structure as a whole. If it dominates, then the mixing plant and transportation system will be given the first consideration and all other facilities are made subordinate thereto. On the other hand, if this particular placement of concrete is not the controlling trade, then that arrangement will be chosen which best lends itself to the general scheme of material transportation, all trades being considered.

Some elementary principles upon which the ideal transportation system should be based, have been summed up briefly by one eminent authority as follows: (1) that the time interval elapsed between reception of concrete and its delivery to forms will not cause it to dry, or to take initial set; (2) that the system shall be tight, so that the more fluid portions may not be lost in transit; (3) that the mode of transit shall not permit a separation of ingredients; (4) that the delivery shall be approximately continuous, so that mixtures of varying composition may not be caused by stoppage and settling; (5) that it shall be efficient, rapid, and economical. In this summary, the order of importance is such as to emphasize quality of product delivered, as well as cheapness. With the foregoing in mind, the proper selection of the system, be it hand propulsion, vertical hoist, gravity, or a combination of the three, must be left to that individual best conversant with the situation, and responsible for results.

45. Placing of Concrete.—Hardly less important than the transportation of concrete is its placement in the forms. The placement should be such as not to permit the separation of the concrete into its component parts, as would occur if it were deposited continuously in one spot. Beams and slabs should be filled to the top in one continuous operation. When interruption to the work occurs, such as the end of the day's shift, stoppage should be made only at predetermined points where the security and safety of the work will not be affected. The general practice on floor slabs and beams is to make this at the center of the span with the stopping plane perpendicular and at right angles to same. Columns should be poured complete to the bottom of beams or girders in one operation, and then allowed to set before proceeding with the floor construction. When new concrete is deposited on old, special precaution must be taken to secure proper union.

While filling forms with concrete, too much attention cannot be given to the spading required if good workmanship is to be obtained. This action not only carries the heavier materials away from the face of the forms and so produces a denser and smoother surface, but it also eliminates to a large degree the air bubbles which otherwise form and if not removed account in part for porous work. The tapping of forms on the outside while concrete is being deposited is likewise beneficial in producing stronger work.

Concrete drippings from the runways, as well as any other material that has taken on the initial set, must not be mixed with the good, but should be rejected and removed from the building. At the close of a day's work, all

mixers, buckets, spouts, buggies, runways, etc., should be thoroughly cleaned and flushed out with clean water. Particular attention should be given to mixers, and all accumulations of drippings removed while yet in a plastic state.

45*a*. Bonding New Concrete to Old.—True union between new and old concrete is difficult to secure. This difficulty increases as the water content of concrete is increased, both by tending to produce a film or layer of fluffy laitance at the top of the concrete first poured and also by diluting the cementing solutions in the new concrete, which solutions furnish the attaching or bonding means by contacting with and entering into the old or set material.

Customary recommendations are: (1) To roughen the old surface, (2) to thoroughly wet it, and (3) to coat it with a paste of neat cement, well rubbed in, before pouring the new concrete. These have a sound basis, except: (1) that the depth of roughening or removing old material should be so specified as to give assurance that clean, sound material, without dirt or laitance will be exposed; and (2) that the surface should be *dry*, not wet at the time the cement wash is applied, as wetting fills the pores in the set material with a fluid unchanged by cementing products and makes weak the cementing solutions directly at the plane of contact where they should be strongest for the result desired.

46. Finishing Concrete Surfaces.—Exposed surfaces of concrete require different treatments according: (1) to the excellence of their materials and workmanship, and (2) to their exposure and the character of their service.

The first of these is, as always, of chief importance. Thoroughly first-grade concrete, well placed and true to line, needs little or no finishing after it has set, except where architectural reasons require some special finish, such as, a matt, bush hammered, re-cut, or exposed aggregate finish. Inferior or careless work, on the other hand, necessitates long and arduous labor to make it presentable and useful.

46*a*. Removing Form Marks.—Careless building or bracing of forms always leaves a multitude of fins, edges, and blemishes. Fins may be readily removed by hand labor with hammer and chisel. Edges may be removed in like manner, but only with patient and careful labor. Blemishes, such as wood-graining, etc., can either be ground off, or can be effectively concealed by brushing with a wash of neat cement in water. Blemishes left by cutting off tie wire may be concealed by painting carefully with cement mortar before the cement wash is applied.

46*b*. Repairing Surface Honeycomb.—Honeycomb is commonly viewed with lenience, but it is one of the surest evidences of poor workmanship in placing concrete. According to its location and the character of materials used in the concrete, it may or may not indicate a serious weakness. If strength is not impaired by its extent and presence, it may be concealed more or less permanently by painting or plastering over with cement-sand mortar, with a final cement wash to blend it into adjacent material. Such methods are, however, apologies at best. Honeycomb should properly be cut out and replaced with sound concrete.

46*c*. Grinding Concrete Surfaces.—When concrete is moist and green, it is treated more easily than when dry and hard. Grinding of green surfaces may be readily done either by hand labor, using carborundum bricks, or by electric machines marketed for these purposes. Grinding makes a very effective finish where the cost is not prohibitive.

46*d*. Grinding Concrete Floor Surfaces.—Where "dusting," or other surface defects are found in concrete floors, grinding off from $\frac{1}{16}$ to $\frac{1}{8}$ in. is the surest and most effective remedial means. The dusting of concrete floors is usually caused by the use of excess water in the making of the concrete, or else by excessive ramming or floating. Removal of the loose-textured surface in such cases is necessary for lasting relief. Grinding machines, usually electrically driven, perform the work quite efficiently, though the process is tedious at best. Temporary relief may be had from chemical "hardeners" marketed under various trade names.

46*e*. Special Surface Finishes.—Tool-cut surfaces may be obtained in the usual way where cost is not prohibitive. Stippled surfaces, or exposed-aggregate surfaces may be obtained by wire-brushing the concrete when green, or by acid washes, or by both. The effects obtained can be greatly varied by the selection of various colors of aggregates and the means of treatment adopted.[1]

[1] See "Concrete Engineers' Handbook" by Hool and Johnson for detailed treatment.

47. Concreting in Hot and Cold Weather.—During hot weather, excessive evaporation is liable to dry out the concrete before the cement has had a chance to set. The usual procedure under such conditions is to keep the work moistened and protected against the direct rays of the sun by a covering of some sort, such as sawdust or canvas.

In cold weather, even before the actual freezing point has been reached, it is customary to take special precautions. The day's work should not be started until there are indications that there will not be a sudden or decided drop in temperature, and the work should be suspended sufficiently early in the day to permit of proper protection from the cold nights and possible frost. This can be obtained by spreading out a coating of straw, canvas, or even sand and cinders, if they are being used on the work. When work has to be carried on below the freezing point, and 20 deg. is about the limit, artificial heat will have to be supplied by means of coke or coal fires in salamanders, the heat thus produced being confined within the building by a liberal use of canvas, or other protection around the exterior at the level at which the work is being carried on.

When working under extreme conditions of this nature, the preheating of water and aggregate will be found necessary in order that the concrete shall not freeze before it reaches the forms. Steam coils or live steam is the usual method of providing the heated water. Sand and stone if received at the job in a frozen condition, must be thawed out before being placed in the mixer. A wood fire within a metal drum or old section of smoke stack, and around which are piled the frozen lumps, is perhaps the most satisfactory method. Steam jets are helpful in working out frozen car loads or piles of sand and stone.

48. Floor Arch Systems.—Most floor arch systems are called upon to provide concealment for horizontal pipe runs, conduits, etc. In concrete construction these pipes are often embedded in the arch itself. In tile construction, they must be run in a fill, generally of cinder concrete laid on top of the arch for that purpose. If the former system is being used, then the electrician, plumber, and any other pipe trade, whose lines may be involved, should be on the building with materials and full information, so as to install his work directly the centers have been erected. If the second method is being used, then the lines will not be required and should not be laid until means are provided to protect them with the concrete fill. On concrete arches where the upper surface provides also the floor finish, it is customary to complete the trowel or float finish at the time the arches are poured. When the cinder fill intervenes, the finish being cement or hard wood or strips, the arch only is installed at this time, leaving the balance of the work to be followed up by succeeding trades and at a later date.

Whether this floor fill should be placed before or after the ceilings are plastered, is dependent upon individual conditions. If the work is being done in winter weather, it is preferable to lay the floor fill first, thus obviating any possible damage to plaster ceilings below through dampness and freezing. In summer work this element is not present and if due precaution is taken not to permit the tamping of the fill into place to break the plaster bond below, then the plastering should be completed first.

Another consideration which sometimes holds the determining value, if viewed from the standpoint of economy, lies in the size of the various rooms in which the floor is to be divided. If the spaces are small and badly cut up, then it will be found much cheaper to lay the fill and finish as a loft floor holding back the dividing partitions and plastering for the next operation.

In the construction of floor systems each level should be completed in itself as far as possible before proceeding to the next, only such open spaces being left behind as are absolutely unavoidable. If the lower stories are to be devoted to construction driveways and to temporary storage of materials, the arches should be first installed and then planked for protection. It is not advisable to plank first and depend upon getting the arches in at a later and more convenient date. That time will never come and will only result in throwing the entire building out of sequence and step. The same holds true as well for upper levels.

Floor finishes of wood, cork, rubber, linoleum, etc., should never be laid until all danger of dampness from plaster or floor fill has been eliminated. A small piece of roofing felt or building paper laid upon the floor fill and sealed against the action of the air with a non-absorbent material, will upon inspection a few days later disclose the amount of dampness then prevalent in the building. This is a simple test and should be made use of before proceeding to install expensive floor finishes.

CONSTRUCTION IN WOOD

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Many of the features of the contractor's plant for the construction of a timber-framed building will be the same as for the erection of a building with steel or reinforced concrete frame. For example, it should be obvious that in all construction jobs there should be an orderly arrangement of plant with proper facilities for receiving, checking, and storing material, also for delivering the material from the general storage yard to the various points of fabrication. The detail method for accomplishing this work will depend largely upon the size and character of the building. Further, it is hardly necessary to state that some simple method should be put in force for keeping the cost of the various parts of the work. These remarks may appear to be commonplace. Unfortunately, there is a tendency, when dealing in timber construction, to be careless in both arrangement and character of work.

49. Storage of Material.—In the case of a concrete building, since the lumber for forms is only used temporarily, no particular provision for preventing incipient decay or rot need ordinarily be taken. On the other hand, for permanent timber construction, all lumber when received on the job, should be immediately protected from the weather and also from contact with the ground. Timber when in contact with the ground may soon become infected, with the result that disease will start and may continue after incorporation of the timber with the building, if conditions are favorable to growth of fungi.

All lumber should be segregated into the various sizes and lengths, and carefully piled on firm level foundations with supports at intervals not exceeding 4 ft. If unseasoned, the lumber should be "stuck," *i.e.*, the pieces in any one layer separated by a 1- or 2-in. air space, and each layer separated from the upper and lower layers by means of 1-in. cleats. In "sticking," care must be exercised to see that the "sticks" or cleats are placed directly over the foundation sills throughout the pile; otherwise, the timbers will be warped. Finally, a temporary roof should be constructed over each pile, the roof projecting a foot or two over the sides and ends of the pile. The best lumber can easily be ruined by careless piling and exposure to sun and rain, and any warping results in increased cost of framing.

All iron work, such as truss rods, castings, washers, plates, etc., should be arranged in neat piles and plainly labelled. Bolts should be segregated into the various diameters and lengths and placed in a bolt rack, with each size and length numbered.

50. Working Details.—Working or field details should be provided for all timber construction. This statement applies particularly to those buildings involving roof truss construction. Very few plans for timber-framed buildings give full and sufficient details of all connections. This practice results, in part at least, from the common procedure in the preparation of plans for steel-framed buildings, where the designer prepares only "contract plans" and relies upon the contractor to furnish "shop details" for approval. When such a designer has a timber-framed building, he works along the same lines, preparing, as usual, the "contract plans," and the "shop details," if any, are comprised in the contractor's drawings of the incidental steel work.

Time and money will be saved in all timber-framed construction, except the very smallest and simplest, if full working details are prepared. These details should include an erection plan, details of all joints, cutting lengths of all timbers, details of all metal work, lengths and diameters of rods and bolts, etc. Letters and numbers should be placed on the plans for all members, and a complete detailed list of materials made with the letters and numbers repeated from the plans. The different materials in the storage yard should then be designated with the same markings, so that a workman can instantly find any piece of material shown on the plans.

51. Methods of Construction.—Two methods of construction may be mentioned: (1) fabricating all material before erection is started, and (2) erecting material as fast as it is fabricated. The second method is preferable as it enables the contractor to realize on his work at the earliest possible moment.

In any event, the first floor should be constructed as soon as possible, with the rough floor in place, in order that all trusses, posts, etc. may be laid out and fabricated on the floor. A smooth, level floor is preferable for such purpose to any fabricating platform that can be constructed.

The center lines or outside lines of trusses should be laid out on the floor to actual sizes. Sometime templates of all timber members are constructed and the actual members cut directly from these patterns. In other cases, no templates are made, but the members are cut from the figured dimensions or the dimensions scaled from the full size layout. The template method is to be recommended. It may seem an unnecessary expense, but will avoid many mistakes of cutting members too short, cutting daps at the wrong places, etc.

In laying out a truss, the outside lines of timbers should be used as working lines, and all dimensions figured from them. For example, given a lower truss chord 12 in. deep, with diagonals framing into the upper side to various depths, as ¾ in., 1 in., etc. Instead of measuring such cuts from the upper side, the measurements should be made from the lower side. This will take care of all variations in width of the timber chord and will enable all similar diagonals to be cut to the same length.

52. Camber in Trusses.—Most specifications for timber trusses call for camber to be given to the trusses. This camber is usually specified in terms of camber per linear foot of truss, as ½ in. for every 10 ft. of span. Camber in ordinary roof trusses is usually introduced by springing the chords on the fabricating platform to approximate arcs of circles and cutting the diagonals to fit. In other instances, especially in small trusses, the trusses are framed with straight chords, and joints left somewhat loose, and the whole truss then given an approximate camber by tightening the rods. Such a method, it is obvious, does not give a real camber to the truss, and if the truss, after erection, retains any of this so-called camber, it is due solely to the restraining action of the posts or walls. If true camber is to be introduced in a truss, the members must be cut accordingly, and all joints made tight before erection of the truss.

53. Equipment.—The question of amount of machinery and tools can only be determined by the character and size of the job. In general, it will always pay to provide sufficient tools, and power machinery will save much labor. However, more than one job has been a loss on account of too great an investment in plant.

When there is much boring to be done, power drills should be installed. These are of two kinds, electric and air drills. Of the two, the latter are the more satisfactory, but in many jobs the contractor will hesitate to install the necessary air-compressor plant. Electric drills are preferable to hand boring, but are heavy and somewhat cumbersome. Many of them operate on but one speed and do not reverse. With such drills, difficulty will be experienced in driving long holes, since the drill will tend to stick, and the drill must be constantly and expertly fed into the hole.

A small cross-cut and ripping saw may well be installed on jobs of some size, especially where there is much duplication of typical members.

54. Erection.—Hand power is the most expensive that can be used for erection. In buildings involving truss work, some form of traveller or derrick should be installed, even if only operated by a hand winch. It is hardly necessary to state that the work should be so arranged that once erection has started it can be carried on continuously. All fabrication of members should be done as completely as is possible on the ground, leaving the least amount of work to be done after hoisting.

STONE WORK

By A. G. Moulton

The term masonry as referred to building construction, generally implies stone or brick work only, and is quite distinctive from cement work, fireproofing, plaster, or marble, each of which is treated under separate specifications despite their requirement of the trowel as a common tool.

55. Use of Building Stones and Stone Masonry.—The use of stone masonry for foundation walls and piers below grade is now seldom met with, the more economical material—concrete—having displaced it with the rapid building up of our cement industry. Above-grade stone is now used largely for ornamental purposes. Beginning with the field stones and boulders used in garden wall and residence work, and carrying through to the higher ornamental and carved marble employed in our more ornamental buildings, all kinds of quality of stone masonry will be encountered by the builder. The limestones, sandstones, and granites, however, are those most commonly used for exterior facings.

In localities convenient to the quarries, it is not uncommon in wall bearing structures to run up the entire thickness of the wall in stone, bedding furring strips at proper intervals for cross-furring and lath to be applied later on the inside face. If the stone is not a local product and freight enters into the cost, then it is more usual to reduce its thickness to that minimum required for its use as a veneer, and to bring up the wall to its full structural strength and thickness by a backing of brick work or other product of the kiln. For use on skeleton constructed buildings. where minimum construction weights are such a determining factor, its use as a veneer is the only one practicable,

56. Preventing Stains on Stone Work.—When cement mortar is used as a bedding, extreme care should be taken to select only such materials as will insure freedom from stain working out and disfiguring the face. Many so-called nonstaining cements are now on the market and are used for this purpose. The use of dirty sand may be as fully disastrous as a poor selection of cement and should be guarded against. Other protections against stain on the face are obtained through back painting with an asphaltum paint, or by plastering with a trowel coat of nonstaining cement mortar after the stone has been set and before backing up. Either or both of these methods is particularly essential if the backing is carried up in common cement mortar. Limestones are the easiest to stain, and when working with them, the most careful supervision should be accorded if good results are to be obtained.

57. Setting Stone Work.—The equipment for setting stone work varies with the type of building and the quantity of work involved. For rubble walls, either random or course, no particular equipment or plant will be required except for scaffolding to keep the mason abreast with his work, and stone barrows for delivering the stone within reach. An "A" frame for handling large sills or lintels may be useful. For course work where the size of the individual pieces exceeds the capacity of the mason and his helper to handle individually, the "A" derrick with hand winch or drum is usually resorted to for all walls not exceeding three stories in height. When supplied with a good firm run plank, it is rapidly shifted from point to point and but two back guys are required, composed of one continuous piece of line running through three single sheave blocks, the two outer ones of which are attached to the head of the derrick, the center riding in the bight of the line, and will be attached to some convenient point at the foot of the derrick by means of a small watch tackle. The two outer ends of the line forming the guys are attached to suitable anchorage, a suitable sufficient distance back from the foot of the derrick to overcome any tendency to kick, and sufficient spread to avoid constant changing as the derrick is moved along the face of the work. By manipulating the watch tackle, one man at the foot of the derrick can control its action at all times.

58. Handling Stone.—Stones are picked up by the "Lewis" anchor or, where the "Lewis" holes would be objectionable such as in sills, by means of stone dogs and tongs. One mason and three riggers constitute the usual crew for such a derrick. Special dowel and anchor holes for inserting metal ties to bind in with the backing are generally cut in the field, and for this purpose one or more cutters will be required on a job of any size. They will also be required for fitting and back checking to overcome unusual conditions impossible to foresee at time of detailing. For high buildings, exceeding three stories, boom derricks are usually depended upon. On skeleton construction, the Chicago type of boom is used and a sufficient number installed to swing the entire frontage that is to be set. They should be hung as high up on the steel work as possible without getting in the way of the steel erectors, thus minimizing the number of jumps required to complete the entire front. To await the final completion of steel work and then set derricks on the roof, injects needless delay in the building's construction, and should not be considered. The power applied may be mechanical—supplied by steam or electric hoists—or it may be manual, obtained through the aid of hand winches or windlasses set on the floor at the level of the derrick. For most work, the mechanical power is more desirable.

For wall bearing structures exceeding in height the range of the "A" type derrick, recourse is had to boom derricks set on platforms elevated by means of suitable towers. Such derricks will generally be set within the building lines and will be used in common by other trades whose work is dependent upon the progress of the walls.

On colonnades and other monumental fronts of sufficient length to warrant it, a device known as a "traveler" mounted on trucks and rails parallel to the building front, may be found useful. In effect, this device is an elevated, moving platform, self-sustained, on which is mounted one or two stiff-leg derricks with revolving booms. The dimensions on such a traveler are, of course, dependent on the range of work to be covered.

Inasmuch as the progress possible is directly proportionate to the number of setters employed, it has been found convenient on high buildings, where the element of time is a governing one, to dispense with the Chicago booms,

which do not operate advantageously on closer than 60-ft. centers, and substitute therefor the short "A" frame type, working from the inside and setting out. These used in conjunction with chain falls permit the use of a setter on each and every pier, if necessary, and very rapid headway is thus accomplished. For this purpose the unset stones are hoisted to the various floor levels by large boom derricks, either as individual stones, if they are large, or in stone boats if they run to smaller sizes. They are then sorted on the floor and trucked or rolled out to the particular panels in which they are to be set, and there picked and dropped by the small "A" derricks to their final resting place.

59. Pointing Stone Work.—Stone work as a rule is not pointed as it is set. That operation is handled in conjunction with the cleaning down after the work has all been set out. Exterior hanging scaffolds are used, and starting at the top the work is thoroughly washed with clear water and stiff brushes. Although the use of washing powders is permissible, the practice of using acid, even in weak solutions, on any kind of stone, should be seriously condemned. All drippings, particularly on sills and projecting courses, should be cleaned off and all wooden wedges inserted by the setters should be removed. On limestones, a dry brushing with stiff wire brushes gives good results.

The pointing should only then be completed, using that type of joint selected, excessive care being exercised to see that the pointing mortar is shoved well back into the open joint to provide proper key.

10. General Precautions.—An observance of the following points will be found beneficial:

All lug sills should be bedded on ends only, leaving full clearance through entire length between jamb lines.

All metal anchors, other than those composed of brass or copper, should be thoroughly painted with some rust resisting preservative before inserting in the stone.

Overhanging courses should be provided with temporary support from below until sufficient weight of wall has been applied above to prevent tipping out.

All projecting courses and finished horizontal surfaces should be boxed and protected until danger from falling materials above has ceased.

Clean white sand only should be used in the mortar.

Stone should not be laid in freezing or frosted weather. If the work must go ahead, then all known precautions should be taken, otherwise spoiling of the face will result.

Vertical joints in coping sills and projecting courses should be pointed full depth or grouted to give a complete seal against the weather.

When piling stone in the sorting yard, on the floor, or on the scaffolds, a firm, clean foundation should be provided and all setting identification marks exposed, so that the different pieces may be quickly recognized and obtainable without extra handling.

The endeavor should be made to have the work backed up as far as set out before leaving it for the night.

Carving may be done either before or after setting. On large panels built up from small pieces, best results will be obtained by carving in place. There may also be considerable time saved by this latter method, thus compensating for the expense of scaffolds and protection to the carvers which otherwise would not be required at the building.

BRICK WORK

By A. G. Moulton

Bricks in one shape or another are common to nearly every type of building construction. They are used for structural as well as ornamental purposes. Used structurally as in bearing walls, it is seldom that the masonry will exceed 21 in. in thickness. From that down to 8 in. is the usual run of the work for the wall proper, with a 4 or 8-in. pilaster added to points where load is applied.

61. Location of Mortar Supply.—The mortar box, or mechanical mixer, as the case may be, should be set up so as to average the wheeling distance so far as possible to all points of the work proper. Its location also should be convenient for the delivery and storage of the dry ingredients and also close to the water supply.

Under ordinary conditions and where not over 12 masons are employed, hand-mixed mortar will be the most economical. Where from 12 to 20 masons are employed, either hand or machine mixed is equally good. For more than 20 masons, a machine mixer of the continuous type will give the best results.

62. Bonding Face to Backing.—For enclosing walls, the outer 4 in. may be carried up with a so-called face brick to obtain the desired architectural effect. The bond between the

ace and balance of the wall is accomplished in one of many ways and is generally a matter determined by the specifications.

63. Scaffolding.—For stories of ordinary height, a horse scaffold, composed of the familiar 4½-ft. mason horse and 5-plank deck, will be found the most convenient. Two sets high of this construction is the practical limit, however, except for short stretches. Hence, when walls exceeding 14 ft. between floor levels are encountered, it will be best to use the putlog scaffold composed of one line of upright supports at convenient centers (approximately, 7 ft.) set parallel and 6 ft. from the face of the work. Cross supports are attached thereto with inner ends bearing 4 in. on the wall and upon which the deck planking is laid. As this scaffold is dismantled, the putlog holes are filled up by the mason. This type of scaffold properly cross-braced will answer for almost any height of wall.

For face work, it is desirable to provide an outside scaffold if best results are to be insured, and particularly if a different kind of mortar is used on the face work from that used on the backing. All joints on face work should be struck, pointed, or raked out, according to the chosen design as the work proceeds and all backing should be topped out level with the face work, and the wall provided with temporary covering for weather protection before suspending for the day.

64. Swinging Scaffolds.—For steel frame buildings, the patent swinging scaffold has become almost indispensable. Outriggers are projected along the face of the wall from the highest point available on the steel frame. These in turn support the scaffold machines, which are essentially small cast-iron drums actuated by trailing hand rope through the medium of worm gear and sheave. Wire cables attached to and suspended from the drums carry the scaffold proper. The cable capacity of the drums, usually 125 ft., determines the height the scaffold may be raised without resetting the outriggers and machines. The hand control ropes being of equal length to suspension cables, are always in reach of the scaffold men, who are constantly patrolling same and keeping it abreast of the walls and to the best advantage of the mason. Overhead protection, in the shape of light decking, should be provided on all such scaffolds whenever other trades are working at higher levels. The outer edge of the scaffold should be protected with a guard rail and light fence of poultry netting together with toe board.

On high buildings it has been found entirely practicable to keep the exterior walls within two stories of the finished floors at all times, providing all necessary materials have been properly scheduled for delivery as required.

If, due to unusual conditions, a delayed start is made necessary on the walls whereas the steel frame and arches have kept to normal progress, the gap thus produced can be closed by putting out a second scaffold at a higher level and working from both concurrently. To do this successfully, however, requires ample and well laid out hoisting facilities, so that no delay will ensue to the different sets of masons through waiting for materials.

65. Serving Materials to Masons.—The proper serving of materials to the mason while working from scaffolds is one of the most important factors to be watched. A scaffolding should be arranged so that the brick can be wheeled from the stock pile on the floor and by one transfer taken from the barrow and laid at the mason's feet. This arrangement, however, should not be at the expense of a heavy pull up a steep incline or runway. Under such conditions, two passes of the brick are to be preferred. Beyond this point, the brick hod must be depended upon. By keeping an even, constant flow of brick to the mason, not crowding up on him so as to restrict his foot space on the scaffold, and by keeping the tray always full of mortar, is the best way to insure satisfaction in the ranks and promote consistent output.

66. Material Elevators.—Brick, mortar, and other materials entering into the construction are elevated to the various working floors by means of platform hoists running up through temporary hatchways left in the floors, or in towers erected on the outer face of the work. Single platforms with capacity for two wheel barrows at a time are favored over the up-and-down type with one barrow to the load, because of the greater traveling speed obtainable. From 800 to 1000 ft. per minute is possible with the former type, and a greater margin of safety is provided for the operators. It is needless to say that riding on material hoists is an extremely dangerous practice and should not be permitted under any condition. For buildings over 12 stories high, it is customary to provide a temporary passenger elevator for the convenience of the workmen. This is generally erected in one of the permanent elevator shafts, using

one of the permanent machines for motive power. On very high buildings where it will be impracticable to wait for completion of machine supporting steel, a temporary basement type machine is used.

67. Progress of Work.—The average story of front brick or terra cotta, or a combination of both, will be run up in about 10 hr. work, or about 4½ stories a week. Under more favorable conditions, a story per day has been accomplished.

As soon as the front has been topped out, the patent scaffold should be removed and the cleaning scaffold swung out. Ordinarily it is not practicable to set the lookouts for handling scaffolds so that they may be utilized for the cleaning down process as well. However, that possibility should be studied and taken advantage of whenever advisable.

MECHANICAL TRADES

By A. G. Moulton

68. Sequence of Trades on Building Operations.—The proper time for the pipe trades to take up their work on a building will quite naturally vary with the character of the structure. Generally speaking, it must be at such a time as will preclude any possible delay in the starting of other trades, and they should also be worked in so that a minimum of cutting and patching is provided for.

69. Plumbing Work.—Freedom of working space and plenty of daylight in which to run pipe work are excellent factors in keeping down costs. For this reason it will be found desirable to run in risers, such as plumbing, steam, electric and ventilating, just as soon as the supporting frame work of the building becomes available. On the same theory, horizontal lines and branches, such as suspended sewers, soil lines, steam mains, etc., will, if withheld on installation until floor arches are in, call for noticeably higher labor costs than if they were hung in the open immediately after beams are in place.

Vertical soil lines, down spouts, sprinkler risers, steam and return lines, electric feeder conduits, etc., if run ahead of the arches will always be reflected in a lessened cost to the building as a whole, although in individual cases some of the above piping trades may be put to slightly additional expenses in providing necessary scaffolding to insure the safety of the workmen. The real saving comes in the cutting and patching which is thereby obviated.

In following this method of advanced pipe work, thorough supervision must be given by the interested parties throughout the time that centering and arch construction proceeds, to see that the various risers are kept in proper alignment, and that all required sleeves are in proper place and at correct level before they are permitted to be built in.

70. Importance of Pipe Drawings.—In order to take the fullest advantage that the situation offers, it will be seen that all pipe sketches will have to be worked up and cut out, all main and branch lines detailed and fittings ordered, and such other items as hangers, expansion sleeves, panel and cut-out boxes, special valves, etc., be arranged for on specified delivery dates to insure their availability within the very limited time that exists between the time the structural frame work of the building is ready to receive them and the following on with the arch construction.

71. Advantages of Plumbing in the Open.—In addition to the economies of installation, there is another very pressing need for advancing the roughing period of the plumbing installation to the greatest extent. Most municipalities require a specified test for tightness on all sanitary lines before their concealment. This means that the minimum number of stories which can be tested at one time sets the distance which the interior partitions and furring must be kept back of its normal positon, which ordinarily is immediately following the exterior wall enclosures. If the plumbing installation has been advanced so that a sectional test is had at about the time the fourth or fifth floor arches are built, then no delay will ensue and the progress of the entire building has been benefitted.

With the vertical lines and main branches out of the way, the mechanical trades will be in the most favorable position to take up the lesser branches, run outs and circuits, either in conjunction with or directly following the arch construction, depending upon whether the design provides for the embedment of pipes in the arches or in a fill supported by the arches.

72. Work in Conjunction with Floor Construction.—The steamfitter has his radiator branches to run at this time. The electrician, in addition to his floor circuits, should lay out and install the conduit for all outlets and switch legs, and any other work which later will be concealed in partitions, column covering, and furring. The plumber will be roughing in the supply vent and soil lines for sanitary fixtures. The somewhat common practice of allowing tile, partitions, furring, etc., to be erected in advance of pipe work, later to be cut or chased out for its reception, has little merit other than the relief it affords the mechanical trades from the responsibility of laying out their own work, and therefore should not be permitted.

73. Finishing Plumbing, Steam, and Electrical Work.—The proper finishing period for the three mechanical lines which we have been following, and which would include radiators, valves, heat controlling devices and pipe covering for the steamfitter, sanitary fixtures and trimmings for the plumber, and panel boards, receptacles, switches, switch-plates and wire for the electrician, will naturally take their normal sequence after completion of finished floor, plaster, and marble work.

On buildings and structures where the pipe work and conduits are not required to be concealed, then a later start is not only permissible but will probably be desirable. There as above, however, the cutting and patching feature and its elimination should be the guide.

ELEVATOR AND STAIR WORK

By A. G. Moulton

74. Value and Importance of Early Installation of Elevators and Stairs.—Two important trades, both of which should be placed on the work at an early date, are those concerned with elevators and stairs.

Elevator guide brackets should be available, so that they may be installed and followed by the guides themselves within a period but a few days longer than that required to build the supporting steel work of the building. This is particularly true of lofty buildings, where it is customary practice to have the elevator machines prepared in time to be hoisted by the steel erector's derricks to the machine room level just before they are closed in for dismantling. Thus, with machines in place, and guides erected, temporary cars for freight and passenger service may be depended upon almost as soon as the roof of the building has been enclosed.

If, during the time the platforms are being assembled and connected up, the elevator shafts can be plastered, this should be done, even at the expense of some little inconvenience and disarrangement of other trades. Not to accept the opportunity at that time will unfailingly cause the forced suspension of elevator service at some later date, when it can be least afforded, in order to go back and finish the shaft walls.

In order to start guide work before completion of steel, two or more set of templates will have to be made; and in such cases it will be necessary to guarantee to the elevator constructor the alignment of all steel work surrounding the shafts, the greatest variation permissible being agreed upon and arranged for.

On high buildings, open and direct access by means of stairs to the various floor levels is a very important factor. Not only is the safety of the workmen involved, but a tremendous amount of time otherwise lost to employees can be accounted for, as against when ladders or other makeshift means are depended upon.

75. Erection of Iron Stairs.—Ordinarily, for high steel buildings, iron stairs are specified. Treads and platforms may be all metal or of pan type to receive a finish of composition, slate, or marble. When these stairs are designed for painted finish, no great harm can occur to them during the construction period, and they should be available and erected in the building as rapidly as the erection of steel will permit. It is not uncommon to keep stairs of this type within three floors of the steel derricks at all times. Temporary 2-in. plank treads are supplied and also temporary wood railings are used should the finished balustrade be unsuitable to install at such an early date.

For stairs which have a baked finish, or are made up of softer metals than iron, it will probably be found better to withhold their erection until the building is in the finish stages, using instead temporary wooden flights.

76. Installation of Ornamental Iron with Stairs.—At the same time stairs are going in, elevator facias, if required, can be installed, which, together with store fronts, window mul-

lions and other miscellaneous iron work, will generally provide continuous work for the ornamental iron workers despite their early start on the stairs. This provision for continuity of work is a point to be kept in mind when scheduling all trades.

77. Protecting Elevator Shafts and Stairs.—The proper protection of elevator shafts, stairs, runways, etc., from a safety point of view, is a matter that should not be left to chance, as it provides responsibility of sufficient importance for the building superintendent himself to assume. Daily inspection should be made to determine, (1) whether all required protection in accordance with accepted standards has been provided, and (2) whether proper upkeep is being maintained.

Temporary hod and material hoists are particularly dangerous features of a building under construction, and they should never be operated until the shafts are enclosed through which they run. If not otherwise protected by permanent walls, they are first fenced in with suitable enclosure on three sides at all floor levels through which they run. That side from which they serve and are served, should be protected by a gate or protecting bar and this barrier kept in place on all levels except the one being worked. All enclosed stairs, dark passages, and basement runways, whenever open to the passage of workmen, should be provided with safety lights and railings.

Bell men for signalling the hoisting engineer should be chosen with due regard for their knowledge of the position and proven ability to follow instructions. Riding on material hoists of any kind should be strictly prohibited. For the enforcement of this rule, signs alone cannot be depended upon. They should be backed up by positive and concise instructions issued to all operating foremen and engineers, with the full penalty for violating thoroughly understood.

The value of a careful and thorough study of welfare and safety conditions and its effect on building construction work, is rapidly becoming more and more a subject of deep interest to the builder. On work of large volume, it has now become almost universally the custom to reinforce the construction organization with one or more safety inspectors, trained to detect the dangerous spots and provide suggestions for their removal or improvement. On work of lesser volume, where a separate department would not be warranted, these duties should be definitely assigned to some responsible individual in the organization, together with sufficient authority to insure the carrying out of his recommendations.

SEQUENCE OF FINISHING TRADES

By A. G. Moulton

Interior dividing partitions, wall furring, column covering, etc., should follow as closely after the completion of exterior walls as roughing or pipe trades will permit. In conjunction therewith will be required the bucks, grounds, and other items of rough carpentry incident to preparing the building for such of the finishing trades as plaster, marble, and trim. At this time also it may be desirable to install the exterior window sash, particularly so if the work is in or approaching the winter months.

78. Wood Trim, Flooring, Glazing, Etc.—Interior wood trim, maple flooring, glass, and hardware should be brought on the building only at such a time as they may be installed with safety. Ordinarily, this will be 3 to 4 weeks after plastering has been started. With metal trim no delay is necessary and the work may be executed as soon as the plaster is hard.

79. Setting Radiators, Plumbing and Lighting Fixtures, and Painting.—During this period the radiators are set and permanently connected up, plumbing and lighting fixtures are installed, painting of exterior and interior wood and metal surfaces is begun, finished floors are scraped or rubbed, as the case may be, and a general canvass of all incompleted items made to determine what is missing and the reason therefor. So called "Punch lists" giving this information and covering each branch or trade employed on the work, should be compiled, and checked against by daily inspections until the lists have been eliminated.

The proper time at which to institute these lists is a matter for careful consideration. If resorted to early, they must of necessity deal largely with generalities, and as such will fail in receiving the respect, or command the power that they should be entitled to. To be of real service, they must cover the ground in most minute detail, and until this can be done without becoming burdensome to the various trades, they had better be withheld.

80. Plaster and Marble Work.—Plaster work and marble work are two trades which carry on together, where they engage one with the other, and either may be given the preference on installation with about equal results, time and economy both being considered. While it might seem that the necessary cutting and patching of plaster to bring the marble into engagement would be expensive, this item will be found to be just about balanced by the additional expense involved in protecting the marble should plastering be done last; added to which would have to be accepted a certain amount of lost time due to using the slower trade as pace maker. It is the latter consideration which generally permits the plaster to precede the marble.

With marble as well as with all trades, too much cannot be said about the extreme importance of scheduling materials for delivery in proper sequence that will meet job requirements. When dealing with fragile materials such as marble, due consideration should be given to the proper amount, if any, of stock pieces that should be provided in order to get out replacements on the job with the least possible delay.

81. Cleaning Up After Plaster Work.—Directly after the marble and plaster work has been completed on a floor, this section should be given a thorough broom cleaning and all surplus plank, building materials, rubbish, and other useless equipment should be removed from the story. Thereafter it should be kept in that condition as a clean building is not only the simplest, but it is the surest method of protecting the finished surfaces.

Marble treads, thresholds, and other surfaces subject to traffic may be helped out by a temporary coating of plaster of Paris, but beyond that and the usual precautions against oil and tobacco stains, the greatest dependence can be placed on the cleaning gang providing their work is conscientiously carried out.

SECTION 6

CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT

Mechanical equipment for modern building construction is now offered in such variety for every purpose that mention of types only, with general remarks on their abilities, is within the scope of this Handbook. Furthermore so much of the efficiency of any piece of apparatus depends upon its correlation with other parts of an equipment as well as upon the intelligence of its use, that experience and care as displayed by managers, superintendents and workmen are the final determinators of its value to any job. Rather, therefore, than to risk introducing confusion by what would be virtually a cataloging of a great multiplicity of devices, many of the most common, particularly hand tools and those whose use is universal and time-honored in each trade, have not been specifically mentioned, except in a few instances wherein modern management has shown as resident in a tool additional abilities not commonly appreciated or realized.

EXCAVATING EQUIPMENT

By Nathan C. Johnson

1. Earth Excavating Equipment.

1*a*. Steam Shovels.—Steam shovels may be divided into two main types—*railroad* and *revolving*. Their principal difference lies in their size and in the fact that the revolving type, as its name implies, has a full circle swing. The revolving type of shovel only

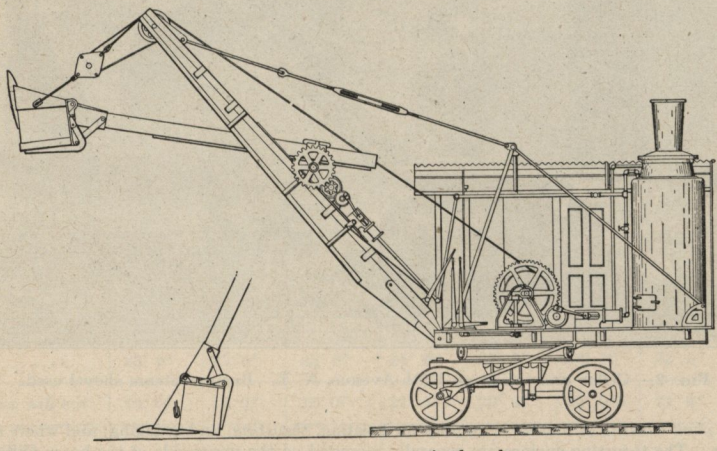


Fig. 1.—Thew automatic shovel.

will be treated here as it is the one most commonly used in building construction, where its small size, flexibility, and low cost of up-keep and operation give it a position of importance in the excavation of foundations, basements, and cellars, and for clearing and grading ground for new buildings. It will be found economical where the amount of excavation is about 2000 cu. yd. in ground free from rock.

Steam is the most common power for the operation of shovels, but gasoline engines and electric motors may be had for use where coal or other fuel is scarce or where current may be obtained.

General Features.—The shovel is divided into two main parts—the supporting base and the upper frame.

The supporting base is made up of a frame of steel beams strongly braced and riveted together. This frame rests on two steel axles, one pivoted and the other held in position and geared for power traction; and carries a heavy cast-steel annular gear, the track for the rollers, and the main journal which supports the revolving frame. The pivoted axle allows the directional movement of the machine to be changed. Small diameter steel wheels of wide tread are generally employed, though some manufacturers are now supplying a caterpillar traction which is an advantage if the machine is to be moved about much and the soil is weak.

The upper or revolving frame consists of the power plant, A-frame, boom, and shipper arm, to which is attached the dipper, or bucket.

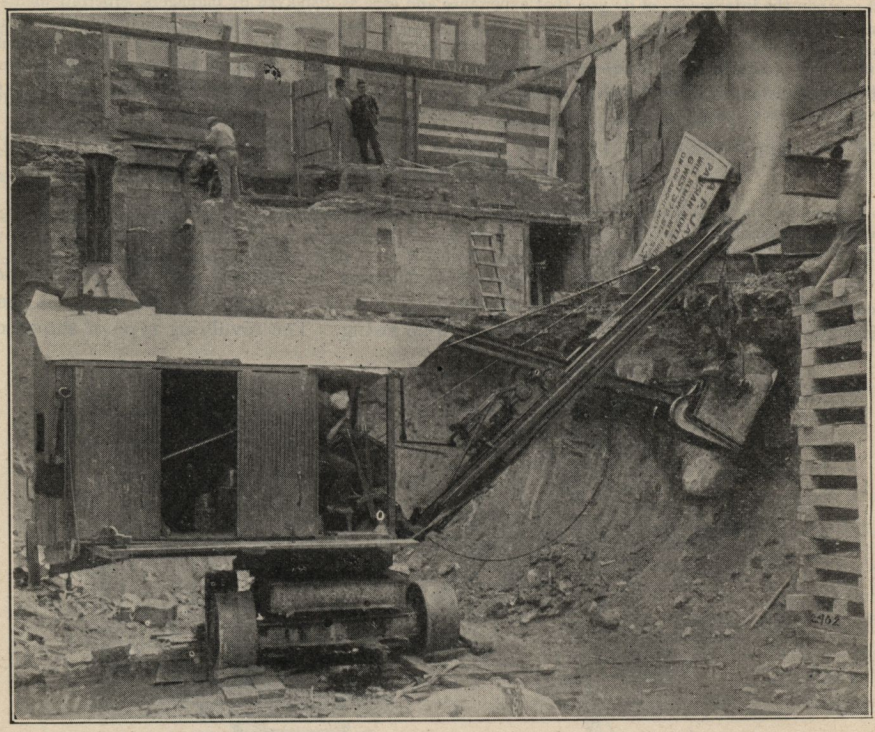


FIG. 2.—Cellar excavation on Fifth Avenue, N. Y. Bucyrus steam shovel used.

The *power plant* consists of motors or engines for hoisting, thrusting, and swinging; and where steam is used, a vertical boiler. The thrusting engines are generally mounted on the upper side of the boom and work through rack and pinion. Hoisting is accomplished through steel cables; and swinging through gears.

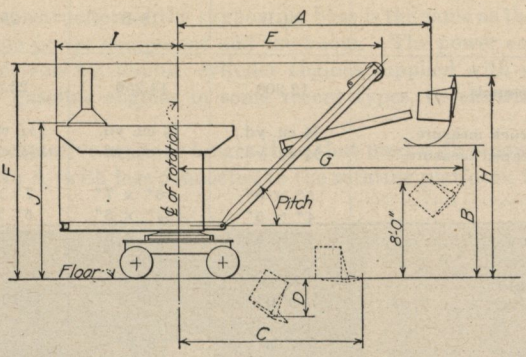
The *A-frame* is made up of structural steel posts. The feet of the posts are fastened to the revolving platform on each side, forward and back. The A-frame carries a pivoted cast-steel head block at the top, to which the rods are attached which support the upper end of the boom. The A-frame is slightly inclined and is shorter than the boom.

The *boom* is made in two parts and of structural steel, space being left between for the passage of the shipper arm. The boom is pin connected at the base and is held in position at its outer end by bars connected to the A-frame. It is wider at the center than the ends due to the added stress imposed where the shipper arm is pivoted. The sheaves for hoisting are at the outer end of the boom.

The *shipper arm* is of oak 8 to 12 in. square, reinforced with steel channels, and from 14 to 24 ft. in length. A toothed rack fastened on the underside engaging with a pinion controls the movement of the arm. The digger is attached to the shipper arm.

Typical data on representative types of shovels are given on pp. 835 and 836:

Working Dimensions of Small Revolving Bucyrus Shovels



Size of machine		14-B		18-B		25-B		35-B	
Standard mounting		Traction		Traction		Railroad		Railroad	
Angle of boom		Standard 45°	Special 52°	Standard 45°	Special 54°	Standard 45°	Special 50°	Standard 46°	Special 51°
A	Maximum dumping radius	21′ 6″	20′ 8″	23′ 5″	22′ 3″	25′ 8″	25′ 0″	30′ 6″	30′ 0″
B	Clear dumping height	11′ 2″	13′ 2″	11′ 10″	14′ 10″	13′ 0″	14′ 4″	16′ 6″	17′ 1″
C	Level floor radius (Absolute level)	15′ 0″	14′ 3″	17′ 0″	16′ 0″	18′ 2″	17′ 8″	21′ 3″	20′ 6″
C1	Level floor radius (Dipper at max. rake)	17′ 0″	16′ 0″	18′ 6″	17′ 9″	19′ 6″	19′ 6″	22′ 6″	22′ 3″
D	Below level floor	3′ 2″	2′ 7″	3′ 3″	2′ 6″	3′ 11″	3′ 5″	5′ 9″	5′ 2″
E	Radius of boom	17′ 3″	15′ 7½″	19′ 1″	16′ 7″	19′ 9″	18′ 4½″	23′ 2″	21′ 6″
F	Height of boom	18′ 0″	19′ 5½″	19′ 4″	21′ 5½″	20′ 6″	21′ 7½″	24′ 4″	25′ 9″
G	Digging radius at 8-ft. elevation	23′ 6″	22′ 6″	25′ 6″	24′ 0″	27′ 6″	26′ 10″	32′ 6″	31′ 8″
H	Height dipper will cut	16′ 6″	18′ 9″	18′ 0″	21′ 3″	20′ 6″	22′ 0″	24′ 4″	25′ 9″
I	Rear end radius, On roof	10′ 8½″	10′ 8½″	11′ 4″	11′ 4″	12′ 8″	12′ 8″	13′ 3½″	13′ 3½″
	On rev. frame	10′ 4″	10′ 4″	11′ 0″	11′ 0″	12′ 5″	12′ 5″	13′ 0″	13′ 0″
J	Highest part with boom lowered	13′ 0″	13′ 0″	13′ 10″	13′ 10″	14′ 2″	14′ 2″	14′ 4″	14′ 4″
	Deduct from B. F. H. & J. for railroad mounting	6½″	6½″	6″	6″				
	Add to B. F. H. & J. for traction mounting	.....	.....	.....	.....	5½″	5½″	8¾″	8¾″
	Add to B. F. H. & J. for caterpillar mounting	9″	9″	4″	4″	7″	7″	6½″	6½″

TABLE OF DIMENSIONS—SMALL REVOLVING BUCYRUS SHOVELS

	14-B	18-B	25-B	35-B
Effective pull on dipper, pounds	12,300	18,250	25,800	31,490
Capacity of dipper — Struck measure	⅜ cu. yd.	⅞ cu. yd.	1¼ cu. yd.	1½ cu. yd.
Capacity of dipper — Heaped measure	¾ cu. yd.	1 cu. yd.	1½ cu. yd.	1¾ cu. yd.
Size of engines — Main	5″ × 6″	6″ × 7″	7″ × 8″	8″ × 8″
Size of engines — Swing	4″ × 5″	4½″ × 5″	5″ × 6″	6″ × 6″
Size of engines — Thrust	4″ × 5″	4½″ × 5″	5″ × 6″	6″ × 6″
Revolving frame (Over-all house dimensions) — Length	15′ 3″	16′ 0″	17′ 9″	19′ 4″
Revolving frame (Over-all house dimensions) — Width	9′ 0″	10′ 0″	10′ 0″	10′ 0″
Wheel base — Traction	7′ 3″	8′ 0″	8′ 9″	10′ 3″
Wheel base — Truck	7′ 3″	8′ 0″	8′ 9″	10′ 3″
Width over traction wheels	8′ 6″	9′ 6″	11′ 8¼″	12′ 4″
Boiler — Type	Vertical	Vertical	Vertical submerged	Loco.
Boiler — Dimensions	42″ × 7′ 6″	48″ × 7′ 6″	54″ × 8′ 11″	48″ × 9′ 7″
Water tank, total capacity	275 gals.	350 gals.	400 gals.	500 gals.
Weight in working order — Railroad	20 tons	25 tons	33½ tons	42½ tons
Weight in working order — Traction	21 tons	27 tons	37¼ tons	46¾ tons
Weight in working order — Caterpillar	26½ tons	30½ tons	44¼ tons	50¾ tons
Shipping weight — Railroad	17½ tons	22 tons	30½ tons	38 tons
Shipping weight — Traction	19 tons	24 tons	33¼ tons	42¼ tons
Shipping weight — Caterpillar	24 tons	27½ tons	40¼ tons	46¼ tons

THEW SHOVEL			BUCYRUS SHOVEL		
Cu. yd.	Working weight	Rated capacity in cu. yd. per hr.	Cu. yd.	Working weight	Rated capacity in cu. yd. per hr.
½	28,500	25 to 40	⅝	42,000	25 to 50
¾	38,000	30 to 50	⅞	50,000	30 to 70
1	49,000	35 to 70	1¼	67,000	40 to 100
			1½	85,000	50 to 125

The *dipper* or *shovel* resembles the ordinary scoop bucket. It is of all steel construction with a cast bottom which is hinged to the back of the bucket and held closed by a spring latch. By a slight jerk on a light line which leads from the back to the cabin, the operator may open the latch causing the bottom to drop and empty the dipper. The cutting edge of the dipper depends on the character of the material to be excavated. This cutting edge is of high carbon or alloy steel supplemented under ordinary conditions by teeth made from forgings with tool steel points and fastened to the outside of the bucket leaving the inside free from obstructions. The dipper is fastened to the shipper arm by means of heavy forged arms and braces.

The *hoisting line* is connected to the dipper by a hinged bail through a sheave. The amount of excavation for a given period of time will depend on the character of soil, size of dipper, depth of cut, height of unloading, and the rate at which empties can be brought in place for loading. Using a 1-yd. dipper, in average ground, and rating dippers per minute to allow for ordinary delays, 40 to 60 cu. yd. should be handled per hour, or 300 to 500 cu. yd. per day for 8 hr. Steam shovels cost from $8000 for the small ½-cu. yd. to $20,000 for the 1½-cu. yd. capacity. The weight will necessarily increase with the size of the shovel.

1b. Locomotive Cranes.—The locomotive crane is similar in general construction to the steam shovel. It also consists of two main parts—the supporting base and the upper frame. The general construction of the supporting base is the same as that of the shovel. The upper frame carries the power equipment and the boom. The power equipment consists of a 2 or 3 drum-hoist driven by double cylinder engines supplied with steam from a vertical boiler, or driven by gasoline engines in some recent types, or electric motors in favorable situations.

The boom of a locomotive crane is longer than that used with a power shovel and is made either in the form of an A (with legs connected to the rotating platform, the apex to a drum by

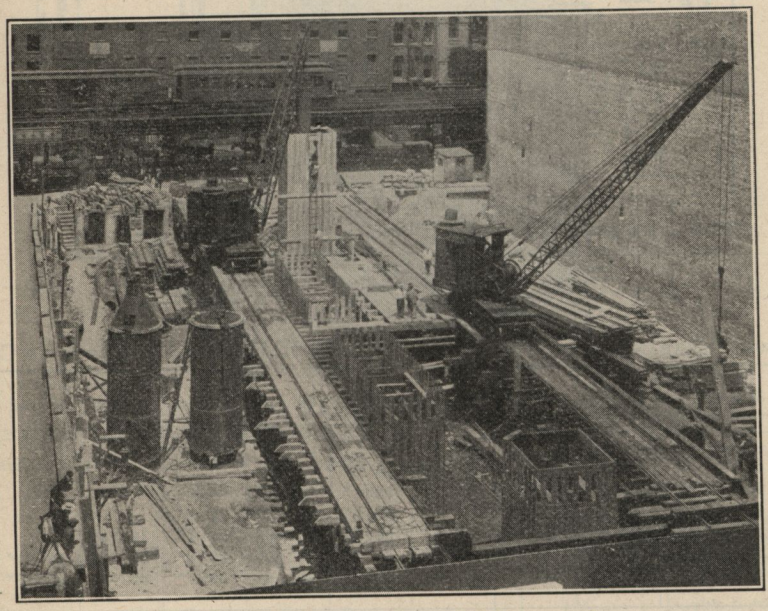


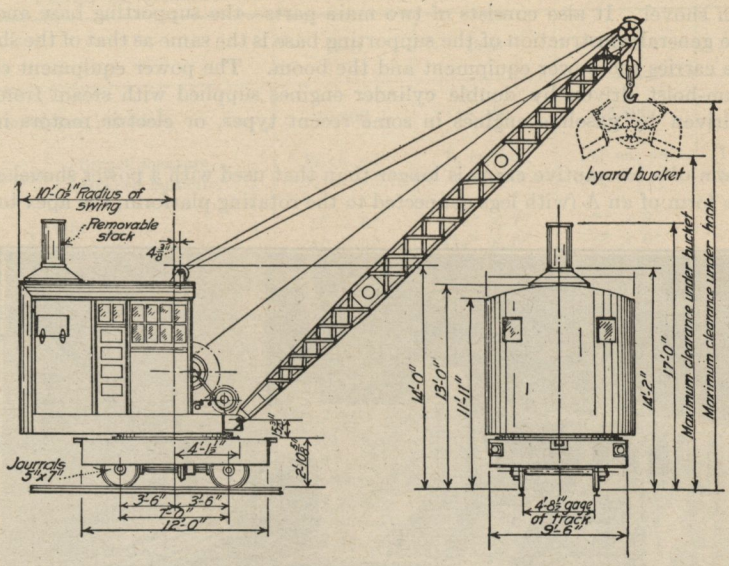
FIG. 3.—Two Brownhoist locomotive cranes in operation.

sheaves and boom lines) or of box cross section, greatest at the center and tapering to the ends. The boom (ranging in length form 25 to 70 ft.) is made of latticed structural steel shapes and can be raised or lowered.

These machines are used for construction purposes where loose material is to be handled, as in loading and unloading cars of sand, crushed stone, and gravel, or for hoisting materials, placing steel, pile driving, etc. They may also be used for excavating, but have no mechanical means other than the action of the bucket itself for cutting into materials. Three types of buckets are commonly used with cranes—the clamshell, orange peel, and handling buckets—on each of which detailed information is given later.

Locomotive cranes will vary in weight from 45 tons in the smaller or 10-ton capacity, to 90 tons for the larger or 30 to 40-ton capacity. The price will vary from about $12,000 for the former to $30,000 for the latter.

LOCOMOTIVE CRANES



MAXIMUM CLEARANCE UNDER HOOK FOR VARIOUS RADII—OHIO LOCOMOTIVE CRANE

Length of boom	12′ rod	15′ rod	20′ rod	25′ rod	30′ rod	35′ rod	40′ rod	45′ rod	50′ rod
25 ft.	23′ 3″	22′ 5″	19′ 10″	14′ 6″					
30 ft.	27′ 9″	27′ 9″	25′ 8″	22′ 1″	16′ 0″				
35 ft.	32′ 4″	32′ 3″	31′ 2″	28′ 6″	24′ 2″	17′ 4″			
40 ft.	35′ 7″	36′ 8″	36′ 1″	34′ 1″	30′ 9″	26′ 1″	18′ 8″		
45 ft.	49′ 6″	41′ 9″	41′ 3″	39′ 8″	36′ 10″	33′ 3″	27′ 10″	19′ 11″	
50 ft.	44′ 5″	46′ 3″	46′ 4″	45′ 0″	42′ 6″	39′ 7″	35′ 5″	29′ 7″	20′ 3″

MAXIMUM CLEARANCE UNDER BUCKET FOR VARIOUS RADII—OHIO LOCOMOTIVE CRANE

Length of boom	12′ rod	15′ rod	20′ rod	25′ rod	30′ rod	35′ rod	40′ rod	45′ rod	50′ rod
25 ft.	18′ 4″	19′ 3″	16′ 8″	11′ 8″					
30 ft.	21′ 5″	23′ 9″	22′ 9″	19′ 0″	12′ 10″				
35 ft.	24′ 10″	27′ 9″	28′ 2″	25′ 5″	21′ 0″	14′ 1″			
40 ft.	25′ 7″	29′ 9″	32′ 2″	31′ 0″	28′ 3″	23′ 7″	16′ 2″		
45 ft.	28′ 6″	33′ 8″	36′ 7″	36′ 9″	34′ 2″	30′ 6″	25′ 5″	17′ 5″	
50 ft.	31′ 0″	36′ 6″	40′ 9″	41′ 6″	39′ 10″	36′ 11″	32′ 8″	27′ 0″	17′ 9″

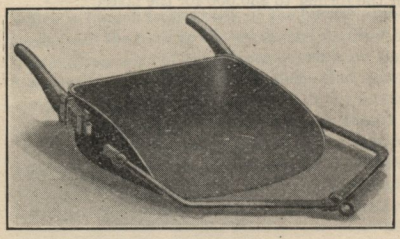


FIG. 4.—Drag scraper.

1c. Scrapers.—Scrapers as used in excavating for buildings are of two general types—drags or slips, and wheeled scrapers. These are practically identical in action except that one slides on the ground and the other is mounted on wheels.

Drag Scrapers.—The drag or scoop scraper (Fig. 4) is made of steel plates, sometimes provided with an extra bottom known as "double bottom" (Fig. 5), or with runners, with a heavy iron bail hinged to the sides as a means of attaching a team of horses.

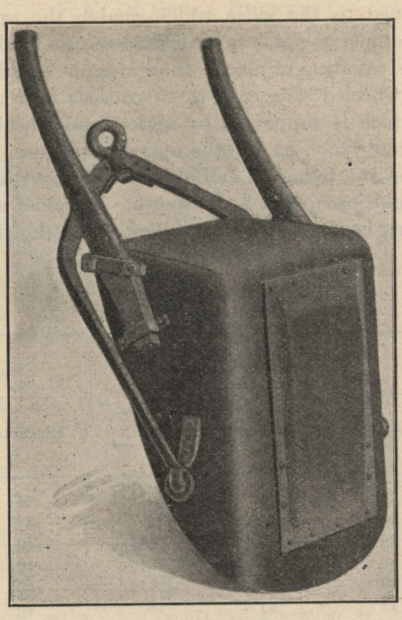


FIG. 5.—Double-bottom drag scraper.

DRAG SCRAPERS

Capacity (cu. ft.)	Length	Width	Depth	Weight	Remarks
3	....	....	....	100	Double bottom
3	32	25	103	80	With runners
3	....	....	....	70	Without runners
4	....	....	....	105	Double bottom
4	32	27	11	90	With runners
4	....	....	....	80	Without runners
5	....	....	....	110	Double bottom
5	31[2]	29	11[2]	100	With runners
5	....	....	....	90	Without runners

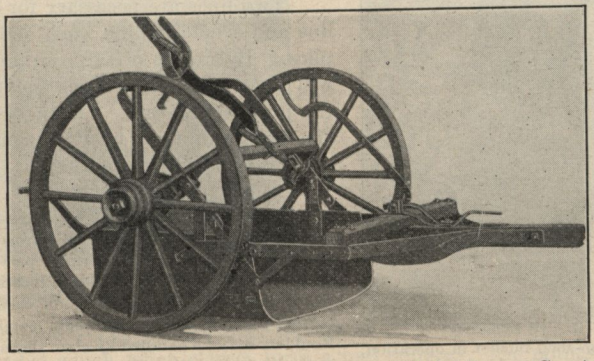


FIG. 6.—Wheeled scraper in position to load, Western Wheeled Scraper Co., Aurora, Ill.

Wooden handles are fastened to the sides which enable the operator to guide and to trip the scoop. This type of scraper is not economical to use on hauls of over 150 ft. They are, however, a good means of excavating in places where wagons could not be readily handled.

Wheeled Scrapers.—A wheeled scraper (Fig. 6) consists of a steel box with one open side suspended from an axle which is supported by wide tread wheels of about 40 in. diameter. Attached to the box are levers which enable the operator to raise, lower, or dump the scrapers as desired without stopping the team. The box is of the form of a rectangle, square on the bottom and having a height of about ⅓ its depth. Its chief usefulness commences about where that of the drag scraper ceases and is an excellent method of moving earth or hauls up to about 1000 ft.

WHEELED SCRAPERS

Capacity (cu. ft.)	Box			Wheel		Weight
	Length	Width	Depth	Diameter	Tire	
7	32	32	10½	34	2½ × 5/16	400
9	36	36	12	38	2½ × 4	425
12	38	37	13½	40	3 × 5/16	500
12	38	37	13½	40	3 × ⅜	650
14	38	41	13½	42	3 × ⅜	700
16	44	41	16	46	3 × ⅜	800

1*d*. Buckets.—Many types of buckets are used in excavation. The clam shell and the orange peel are employed as diggers. Handling buckets are loaded by hand or from hoppers.

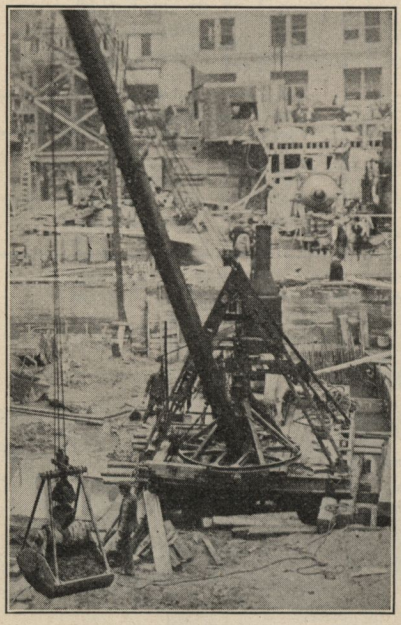


FIG. 7.—Owen clam-shell bucket in operation, Owen Bucket Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

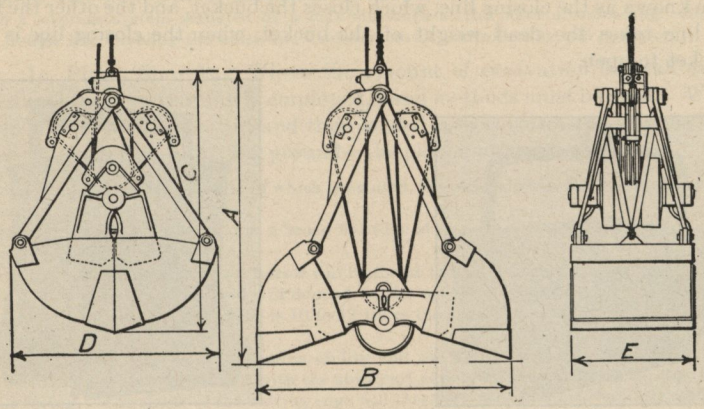
Clam Shell Bucket.—The clam shell bucket (Fig. 7) consists of two curved jaws which, when closed, form half of a short cylinder. Two sets of steel arms connect these jaws to the head casting. The lower end of each set is connected to the outer edge of the jaws, and the upper ends are hinged to the head casting. The inner edges of the jaws are connected together and hinged to a counterweight. The counterweight is connected to the head frame through sheaves and the closing line to the head casting.

Two lines are necessary for operation, a closing line and a holding line, each acting as its name implies. By means of the counterweight, the bucket will open when the closing line is released, causing the jaws to separate. On engaging the closing line, the jaws will tend to close, causing the bucket to bite into and fill with earth.

Clam-shell buckets may be supplied with teeth to aid in digging in hard ground. The arrangement of sheaves and hoisting line plays an important part in the digging ability of a shovel. The Lakewood Engineering Co. makes a bucket which has a sheave mounted on each jaw arm, thus giving better digging ability through combination of leverages. Boulders may be handled by clam shells which are too big to fit in the bucket, as the grip of the jaws is sufficient to hold them.

CLAM SHELL BUCKETS

Lakewood Engineering Co.



Capacity (cu. yd.)	A	B	C	D	E
½	6′ 3″	5′ 1″	5′ 8¼″	3′ 9¼″	2′ 11¾″
¾	7′ 1″	6′ 2½″	6′ 0″	5′ 0″	2′ 11¾″
¾	7′ 1″	6′ 2½″	6′ 0″	5′ 0″	2′ 11¾″
1	8 1″	7′ 0¼″	7′ 1″	5′ 4¾″	3′ 1″
1	8′ 1″	7′ 0″	7′ 1″	5′ 4½″	3′ 0¾″
1½	8′ 1″	7′ 0½″	7′ 1¼″	5′ 7¼″	3′ 4″
1½	8′ 1″	7′ 0¼″	7′ 1¼″	5′ 7″	3′ 3¾″
2	8′ 11¼″	8′ 0½″	7′ 7½″	6′ 6″	3′ 10¼″
2	8′ 3½″	7′ 9½″	7′ 6⅛″	5′ 7″	4′ 0¾″
2½	9′ 4¾″	8′ 5½″	7′ 11½″	6′ 10½″	4′ 3½″

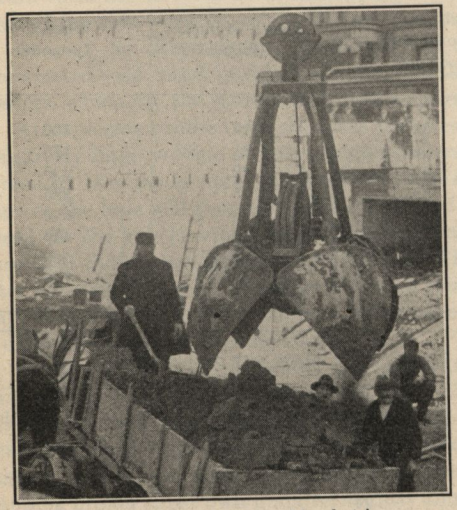


FIG. 8.—Hayward orange peel bucket in use, Haywood Co., N. Y.

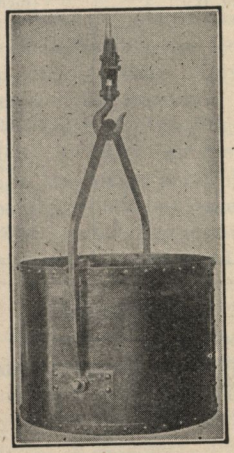


FIG. 9.—Round self-tilting bucket.

Orange Peel Bucket.—The orange peel bucket (Fig. 8) consists of three or more curved triangular steel blades which when closed, form a half sphere. The points of the blades are

reinforced, as teeth are not used with this type of bucket. From each blade, one arm extends to the head casting and another to the counterweight. Two lines are used to control the operation, one known as the closing line, which closes the bucket, and the other the holding line. The holding line takes the dead weight of the bucket, when the closing line is released, to allow the bucket to open.

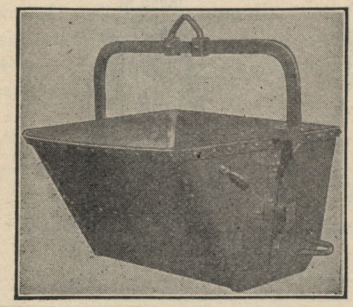


FIG. 10.—Tilting bucket.

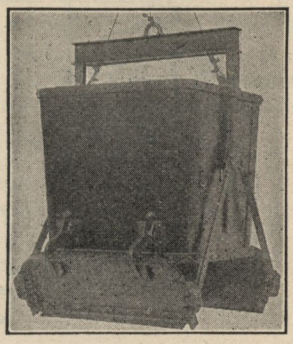


FIG. 11.—Bottom-dump bucket for large forms.

The orange peel bucket will dig in more resistant material than will the clam shell. Small or dwarf orange peel buckets are used in sinking sectional piling in cramped quarters, as in underpinning buildings.

Handling Bucket.—Steel buckets used for handling material are of many different sizes and shapes. They are classified according to the manner in which they discharge—*i.e.*, tilting or bottom dump buckets.

The *tilting bucket* is hung by a heavy bail hinged to the sides of the bucket which is held in the upright position by a catch. This bail is fastened a little above the center of gravity of the empty bucket so that little effort is required to dump the bucket and it automatically returns to its upright, locked position.

ROUND BUCKETS, HEAVIER BOTTOM THAN SIDES

(See Fig. 9)

Capacity (cu. ft.)	Width (inches)	Height from top to bottom of bail	Depth of bucket (inches)	Weight (pounds)
6	31	33	19	150
8	33	36	21	175
11	39	42	22	220
14	44	49	25	285
17	46	51	26	320
21	48	56	30	416
27	50	60	33	500
42	58	71	40	750

Straight sides				Made with double bottom			
Capacity (cu. ft.)	Length	Width	Depth	Capacity (cu. ft.)	Length	Width	Depth
6	33	26	19	18	48	37	29
8	36	29	22	21	48	43	30
10	41	30	24	27	52	46	31
12	42	33	25	36	58	52	33
14	47	33	26	42	60	56	34
16	48	35	27				

The *bottom dump bucket* discharges through doors in the bottom. The sizes of these buckets and the method of opening the bottom vary with different manufacturers. In general, the bottom dump is square, the doors being opened through a leverage system actuated by a man stationed at the point of unloading. Some buckets are equipped for a double line enabling the hoist and discharge to be controlled by one operator.

1*e*. Picks, Shovels.—Where the amount of excavation is small and power operated tools cannot be advantageously employed, hand methods must be used. With these, the ground is first broken up or loosened and then loaded into barrows and wagons for removing. Three tools are used for thus loosening ground—the pick, mattock, and plow.

The *pick* consists of an iron arc, one end of which is pointed, the other slightly flattened, attached at the center to a wooden handle.

The *mattock* is similar to the pick but has a broad flat edge at one end. This tool is used in very loose soil or for trimming or leveling.

The *plow* as drawn by one, two, or four horses will be found to be an excellent means of loosening soil. The size of plow and number of horses required will depend on the nature of the ground. In ordinary loam a team should loosen from 40 to 50 yd. per hr., which is 10 to 12 times the amount a man with a pick can do in the same time.

Shovels should be selected as to their wearing ability and the nature of their intended use. A shovel may be regarded as a cutting and conveying tool with the steel part supplying the cutting edge; and with the handle, the means of conveying. The shape of the cutting edge will therefore depend on the material to be handled; and the length of handle will depend on the distance the material is to be moved, and the working space. A shovel holding a load of 21 lb. is considered to be the most efficient as regards size. A round pointed shovel would be used for digging in hard ground; whereas, a square pointed one is suited for loose materials, such as sand, or for hand-mixing concrete.

2. Rock Excavating Equipment.—When rock in any quantity is encountered in excavating, some means must be employed to break this up into sizes which can be handled and removed. Two general means for this purpose are at hand—explosives or plug-and-feather. In crowded quarters, where injury to other buildings by the jar or by pieces of flying rock is liable to occur, the use of explosives is limited. However, this means has been employed even under the above circumstances and may have to be resorted to where the rock encountered is hard and not easily split, either by hand or machine, to a size which may be handled by the mechanical means available.

In all cases where an explosive is used, great care must be exercised; and in most localities certain rules are in force as to its storage, handling, etc. Usually a licensed powder man is required for this work.

2*a*. Explosives.—Explosives are divided into two classes dependent upon the force exerted—*i.e.*, black powders, which are weakest, and dynamite and granulated nitroglycerin powders, which are the strongest. Both require the utmost care in handling and storage.

An explosion results from chemical action between the components of the explosive, freeing a relatively large volume of gas at high temperature with greater or less rapidity. The force exerted by this gas is equal in all directions at the instant of explosion. "Tamping" and the shape of the hole will therefore affect the result of the explosion. In every case the explosive should fill the hole leaving no air cushions. Tamping, therefore, becomes of particular importance with the weaker explosives. Further, all holes before charging should be cleaned out and water removed. If seepage occurs so that it is not possible to keep the hole dry, a waterproofed wrapper about the charge must be used, else the desired explosion may not occur and removing an unexploded charge is dangerous.

Black Powder.—Black powder is a slow burning powder. It consists of 65 to 75% potassium nitrate, 15 to 20% charcoal, and 10 to 15% sulphur. This powder is obtained in kegs weighing 25 lb. or more; and is poured through a funnel or tube to prevent any of the powder sticking to the sides of the holes. In cases where the powder cannot be poured, it is made up in a paper cartridge and lightly shoved in with a stick. Such a container may be readily made by wrapping brown paper on a mandrel slightly smaller than the hole. If necessary, the container may be dipped in hot paraffin and made waterproof.

Black powder may be fired by a battery, or by a fuse which is a core of gunpowder, surrounded by tape. One end of the fuse is inserted in the powder before tamping. As the rate of burning of the fuse is known, enough should be used to enable the operator to reach a place of safety. An "electric squib" resembles a fuse but has a paper cap instead of a copper one. In either, a spark ignites the powder.

Powder is graded according to the size of the grains, smaller grains giving quicker burning powder than large grains. A good powder is dark gray or slate color, and should leave no dust. When burned on a sheet of white paper, it should leave no residue.

Dynamite and Nitroglycerin.—Nitroglycerin is the basis of the more powerful explosives. It is extremely sensitive both to heat and shock and for this reason is not used full strength.

Dynamite is any absorbent material saturated, or partly saturated, with nitroglycerin. It is known as "active" or "inactive" according to the nature of the absorbent material, commonly called "dope." Porous earth and wood pulp are known as "inactive dope" as they do not take part in the explosion but act as a means of supplying the nitroglycerin. Gunpowder is known as "active dope" as it takes part in the explosion.

Dynamite is rated on its percent by weight of nitroglycerin when absorbed by "inactive dope," *i.e.*, a 40% dynamite would contain 40% by weight nitroglycerin but has an explosive strength equal to that of 40% "inactive dope" dynamite.

Dynamite is commonly packed in paper cartridges from 6 to 16 in. long and ⅞ to 2 in. in diameter, the most common size being 1½ × 8 in., weighing about ½ lb., and is shipped in boxes of 25 to 50 lb.

A strength of 40% is most commonly employed and a number of brands of various composition are on the market. Three brands of different strength will serve to illustrate these:

	Atlas powder 75%	Giant powder No. 2 40%	Carbonate 25%
Nitroglycerin	75 parts	40 parts	25 parts
Wood fiber	21 parts	.....	.....
Sodium nitrate	2 parts	40 parts	34 parts
Magnesium carbonate	2 parts	.....	.....
Sulphur	.....	6 parts	.....
Resin	.....	6 parts	.....
Kiselguhr	.....	8 parts	.....
Sodium carbonate	.....	.....	½ parts
Woodmeal	.....	.....	40½ part

Dynamite, while an effective tool in the hands of one who thoroughly understands it, is dangerous. So many factors enter into its behavior and affect it each in a different way, that only experienced men should handle it. Tamping should not be omitted as greater force is secured when the gases are confined. Sand may be poured in first to fill all cracks around the charge, followed by stiff clay rammed in lightly at first and then harder.

In charging, the sticks should not be rammed into the holes and in no case should an iron bar be used.

Dynamite requires a shock to detonate it, which is supplied by a copper cap containing fulminate of mercury in which is embedded a platinum wire. This is connected by wire to a blasting machine, which is a means of generating current to heat the platinum wire, thus exploding the fulminate of mercury which, in turn, detonates the dynamite.

Building laws in various states cover the case of "misfire." In New York "tamping" may not be removed from a "misfire" nor can drilling proceed in a hole not completely fired to the end. New holes must be drilled not less than 12 in. from those which have "misfired." The cause of misfire may be traced to a number of things. The principal causes are: defective cap, break or short circuit in the wires, cap too weak, battery overloaded or improperly operated.

2b. Rock Drills.—Drilling in rock may be carried on by hand, by churn drills, or by machine drills. Hand drilling, unless the number of feet to be drilled is small or the work carried on away from means of getting steam or air, is not much used in building operation. Machine drills are more largely employed. The smaller types of machine drills are made light enough so as to be readily portable and easily handled by one man; in larger sizes they are mounted on tripods and adjusted to drill horizontally at an angle, or vertically. The smaller drill will generally be found to be handiest except in cases where long holes and hard rock are encountered.

Hand Drilling.—Hand drilling is done by one, two, or three men. Where one man is employed, he both holds the drill and strikes. In soft rock or in constricted quarters, and for

shallow holes, this is generally considered the most economical. The weight of hammer used is 4 to 5 lb. As the hole becomes deeper, a heavier blow is advantageous and two or three men are used, one to hold and turn the drill after each blow and one or two strikers. In such work the hammer weight is about 10 lb. Light blows, delivered in quick succession, are better than heavy blows having long intervals between. For this reason two and sometimes three strikers are employed. Drilling, like every other operation, requires skill and judgment on the part of the strikers to know how to strike the drill in order to cut and keep the bottom of the hole clear so that the drill is operating on solid rock and not on loose fragments..

Water is generally supplied to the drill to keep the powdered rock in suspension, forming a paste which must be removed from time to time. This is done by a "spoon," a long bar with the end flattened and bent slightly at an angle to the bar. Waste attached to a stick will also clean the hole.

Drill steels vary in size for different methods of drilling. A drill of ¾ to ⅞ in. in diameter is most commonly used when one man is employed. The diameter of the cutting edge depends on the size hole required but is generally ⅜ to ½ in. larger than the diameter of the rod. Octagonal steel is used for the shank as this offers a better grip than the other shapes. The cutting edge is made slightly curved to insure a starting point and to allow for any tilting during the first few inches. Hand drills, or "jumpers" as they are called, are made in different shapes. The chisel bit is the one most commonly used with hand drilling. Star and rose bits are used when holes are to be drilled in cement or brick work for the placing of expansion bolts, pipes, etc.

Churn Drilling.—Churn drilling consists of lifting a drill rod a foot or more and then allowing it to fall. The drill is generally double bitted; and in the hands of skillful men, this method is good for drilling deep holes. The number of men may vary from one to six, but with the latter number it is best to provide a platform, with three men on the ground and three on the platform. Cross pieces or arms are bolted to the drill for lifting. One is provided for each pair of men. For shallow holes of small diameter a ball is welded to the shank to give additional weight. When this is done the drill is known as a "ball drill."

The bits used are the same as for the "jumper" drill and are generally made of short sections of tool steel welded to each end of an iron bar or pipe. The blow depends on the weight and velocity of fall but care must be used that the weight is not excessive, as there will be a loss of efficiency if too many men are required to handle the drill.

Machine Drills.—Machine operated drills may be divided into two main classes according to whether the drill steel acts as part of the piston or as a separate unit. The former is called a "piston drill," and the latter a "hammer drill."

Piston Drill.—The piston and piston rod in the piston type are made integral. A U-bolt chuck is attached to the piston rod, into which the drill steel is clamped. These drills are mounted on tripods and are used where long holes, hard rock, and high air pressures prevail. In general, tripod drills are used on outside work, as due to their weight and space required to set up, they are not adaptable to cramped quarters.

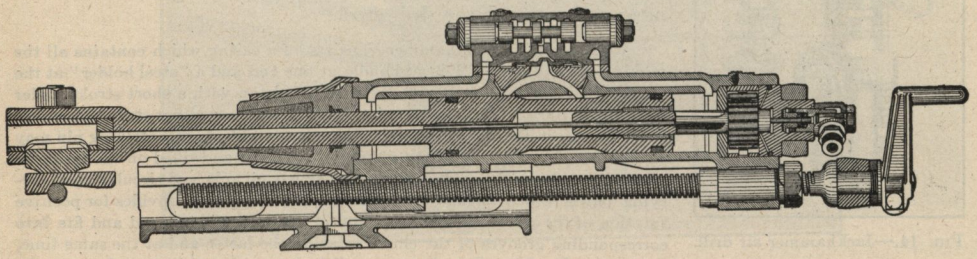


FIG. 12.—Sullivan "Hyspeed" rock drill, Sullivan Machinery Co., Chicago, Ill.

Rotation is provided by means of a rifle bar, ratchet, and pawls; and may take place on either the up or down stroke. The top of the piston is hollow and rifled on the inside so as to allow the rifle bar to fit into it. The rifling may be either right or left-hand, but is usually the latter.

Two methods are employed to actuate the piston. Either the piston in its movement covers and uncovers ports, or the movement is controlled by a separate valve or valves. Drills

of the first type are now practically obsolete. The tappet and auxiliary valve drills are perhaps the most common of the second type.

Some manufacturers combine these two. Fig. 12 shows in section the combination as used in the Sullivan "Hyspeed" drills, in which the advantage of each is retained. The main valve is of the spool type composed of three spools of the same diameter, fitted in a straight bore chest and controlled by the air pressure. Below is a small flat shuttle valve actuated by a light rocker, whose ends engage inclined surfaces on the piston. The duty of the tappet valve is to alternately admit and exhaust pressure from each end of the main valve. The rocker is shaped like a gear segment, the projection at the top corresponding to a tooth of a rack. This projection engages with and operates a flat valve of the double "D" type which controls the admission of air to the cylinder.

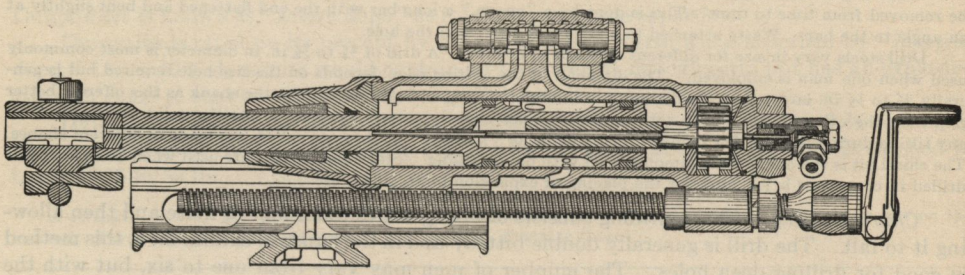


FIG. 13.—Sullivan "Liteweight" rock drill, Sullivan Machinery Co., Chicago, Ill.

Either of these valves may be used separately. The Sullivan "Liteweight," section of which is shown in Fig. 13, uses only the spool or air valve. The length of stroke and force of blow can be varied with the piston type of drill from the full force, full stroke, to the light short stroke required at starting.

Piston drills are mounted on tripods for vertical work and on bars or columns for horizontal drilling. Weights are fitted to the legs of the tripod to give additional stability and the columns are held rigidly in place by screw jacks. Mounted on the tripod or columns is a cradle which carries the feed screw and engages tapped lugs of the drill. Slides on the sides of the drill run in grooves of the cradle. The weight of piston drills unmounted, depends on the size of piston and length of stroke.

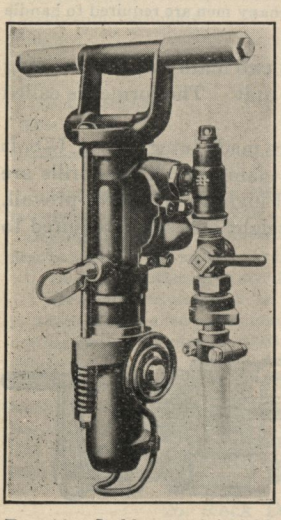


FIG. 14.—Jackhammer air drill.

Hammer Drill.—Of the two types of machine operated drills, probably the type known as the "hammer drill" is the most commonly used in building construction, and is operated by either steam or air (Fig. 14). While electric and gasoline drills can be obtained, by far the majority of work is done by the air hammer type. This drill is made by a number of manufacturers, the principal difference in design being in the valve control and means of rotating the drill steel.

In general, a drill hammer consists of a casing which contains all the moving parts, having a T-head handle at one end and a "steel holder" at the other. The blow is delivered by a light piston with a short stroke under pressure of 100 to 125 lb. per sq. in. The piston may either strike the end of the steel direct, a collar being welded on an anvil block, or a striking pin may be interposed. One end of the piston is bored out and rifled on the inside to allow the rifle bar to enter. The rifle bar has an enlarged circular head carrying pawls which engage with the ratchet ring, and provides for positive rotation of the piston. The other end of the piston is grooved and fits into corresponding grooves of the chuck rotating the latter and at the same time, the steel. Rotation may be accomplished on either the up or down stroke and be either right or left-hand.

In order to have a quick acting piston, the parts are made large and the valve action must be correspondingly rapid. Three types of valves will be taken to show the action. The butterfly valve consists of a simple piece of steel oscillating on a trunion, operated by difference in air pressure on the wings, and therefore requiring but a small amount of power. This steel valve is fitted in the valve chest as shown. As the action is a short lift, friction is reduced to a minimum and wear on the surfaces is avoided. Its action is positive and, due to its small movement, rapidity is insured.

The tappet and differential spool are two other types of valve used in the hammer type of drill, and have been described under piston drills.

The feed in vertical holes depends on the weight of the machine, but where holes in some other direction are desired, tripods or columns are generally used if the length of hole would tire a man to hold the drill. Small cradles may be obtained in which the hammer drill is clamped. These are light and the drill may be quickly mounted in them when it is desired to use a tripod.

Drill Steel and Bits.—As high grade alloy drill steel requires low heats and great care in forging, a good carbon steel is more often used. Hollow steel bits are more difficult to temper and dress than are solid bits. The nature of the rock and size of hole should govern the grade of steel chosen. Octagon, hexagon, and round are the shapes commonly used, the first being in special favor as it offers more grip to the chuck and therefore is rotated better. Steel may be obtained in lengths of from 2 to 25 or 30 ft.

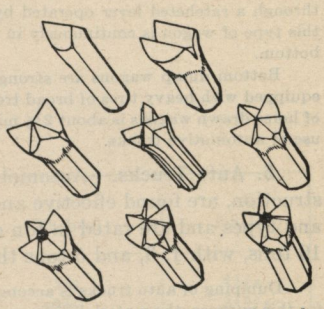


FIG. 15.—Drill bits, Ingersoll-Rand Co., N. Y.

Drills may be forged, dressed, and tempered, either by hand or by a special machine. Where the operation is large, machines should be employed as they will give better, faster, and more uniform results.

The design of the bit will play an important part in the cutting speed; and here again the size, shape, and temper will depend to a degree on the rock encountered. The bits shown in Fig. 15 are most commonly used in American practice. Bits of several types are shown in Gillett's Handbook of Rock Excavation, together with a description of use, etc.

MATERIAL TRANSPORTING EQUIPMENT

By Nathan C. Johnson

3. Wheelbarrows.—Wheelbarrows for construction work are preferably of all steel construction (Fig. 16). The box of such barrows is made in a variety of shapes and sizes to meet different requirements. Where the material to be handled is semi-fluid, barrows having a deep box should be used. The efficient use of wheelbarrows is limited to about 150-ft. runs, and in general, it will be found better to have men to load other than those running the barrows so that the barrow may be in transit a greater portion of time.

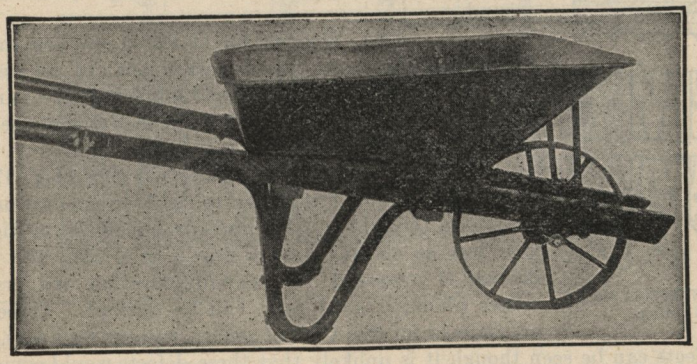


FIG. 16.

4. Wagons.—The type of wagon in most general use for building construction purposes is known as the *drop bottom*. Two other types, though not so extensively used, are the *slat bottom* and *end dump*.

Slat bottom wagons require the team to be stopped for unloading and an extra man to help remove the slats.

End dump wagons may be of advantage where it is desired to unload into hoppers, or in building embankments, as shoveling is cut to a minimum by backing the wagon to the edge of the embankment and tripping the box latch, so that the contained material flows to place by gravity.

Drop bottom wagons are made in various sizes ranging from 1 to 5-cu. yd. capacity, the size to be used depending on the conditions of haul and the loading arrangements. Wagons of 1 to 2½ cu. yd. are the most common. This wagon is built like a rectangular box with sloping ends and side boards. The bottom of the box consists of two doors opening downward. One side of each door is hinged to the side boards, the other is connected by chains through pulleys to a drum under the driver's seat. On reaching the place of unloading the driver frees a catch which permits the doors to open and releases the load. The doors are brought back to the closed position through a ratcheted lever operated by the driver during the return trip. Except for the time required to load, this type of wagon is continuously in actual transit, as it is not necessary to stop for unloading or for closing the bottom.

Bottom dump wagons are strongly built and should last from 5 to 6 yr. without undue repairs. They are equipped with heavy tires of broad tread which enables them to be used in fairly soft ground. The average speed of horse drawn wagons is about 2½ mi. per hr. so that with speed as an item on long hauls, economy may lie in the use of automotive trucks.

5. Auto Trucks.—Automobile trucks, where speed and long hauls are incident to a construction, are found effective and economical. Auto trucks are made in a large number of sizes and types and are rated in ton capacity instead of cubic yards. Their capacities run from 1 to 10 tons, with 1, 3, and 5 tons the most common.

Dumping of auto trucks is accomplished by raising the front part of the body through power means provided for this purpose, the material sliding out through the tail gate. Trucks may be 2 or 4-wheel drive and 2 or 4-wheel steered. Each has its advantages and special uses. Where the roads are soft and muddy, a 4-wheel drive is generally considered better than a two, as a greater number of drivers are brought into play. Two wheel drives are more common at present and give satisfactory service under most conditions.

The use of light weight trucks, many of them fashioned from pleasure car chassis of one make or another with the addition of ready-to-fit bodies and reducing drive parts, is worthy of careful consideration on small operation where the cost and upkeep of larger trucks would not be warranted. These have repeatedly proven themselves economical and useful adjuncts on work of this character.

PILING AND PILE DRIVING EQUIPMENT

By Nathan C. Johnson

6. Sheet Piling.—Sheet piling, made either of planks about 2 × 12 in. in size, or of steel shapes, is driven before the excavation is begun and generally to below the grade of the final excavation. Its function is to prevent the leakage of water or of soft materials, such as quick sand, and to withstand the lateral pressure of adjacent ground.

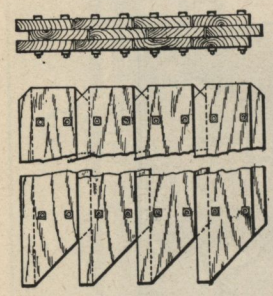


Fig. 17.—Wakefield wood sheet piling.

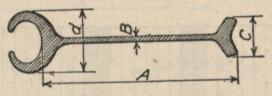
6*a*. Wooden Sheet Piling.—When timber is used, the planks are driven close together and, to secure water-tightness, are made double and triple lapped. The joints in use are tongue-and-groove, or grooves cut in each side of the plank with a tongue driven separately.

What is known as the Wakefield pile (Fig. 17) consists of three planks bolted together to form tongue on one side and a groove on the other. This gives practically water-tight construction but as the planks are driven as a unit, the resistance to driving is increased. By careful selection and grading of the center plank, a good joint can be secured. Three advantages are claimed for this type of piling: namely (1) knots, cross grains, and other defects can be seen though it is unlikely that these defects would come at the same point of the pile; (2) there is no waste in forming the tongue and groove, and there is less tendency to buckle or warp before driving; (3) only one side of each pile is sharpened, the long edge being placed next to the last pile driven, which crowds the new pile against the old one and helps to make a tight joint.

6*b*. Steel Sheet Piling—Steel sheet piling has rapidly come into extended use. While the first cost is higher than that of wood, its life is longer, and the pile is easier to drive. Also, whereas steel sheet piling may be used several times, timber piling will not survive much over 1 to 3 drivings.

Steel sheet piling is made by a number of manufacturers, each making special claims for their own product, such as interlocking features, general shape of the cross secton, and ability to form offsets and turn corners.

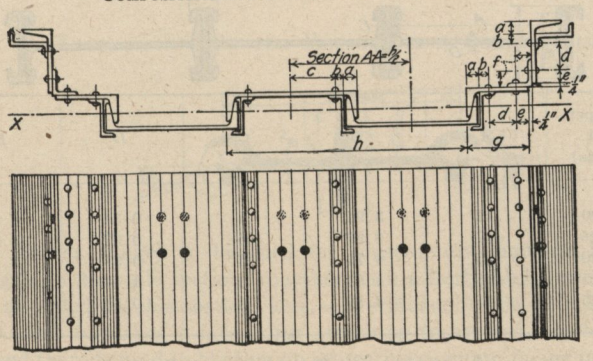
U. S. Steel Sheet Piling



Weight per linear foot (pounds)	*A* (inches)	*B* (inches)	*C* (inches)	*D* (inches)
43	12½	½	2⅝	4 1/16
38	12½	⅜	2½	3 15/16
16	9	¼	1⅜	2 9/16

Friestedt Interlocking Channel Bar Piling

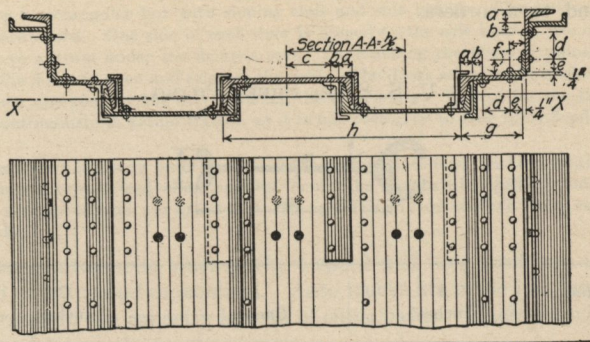
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Description	Channels		Zees		a (in.)	*b* (in.)	c (in.)	d (in.)	e (in.)	f (in.)	g (in.)	h/2 (in.)
	(in.)	(lb.) per ft.	(in.)	(lb.) per ft.								
12″ × 33 lb.	12	20.5	3⅜ × ⅜	8.6	1⅜	1¼	3⅜	2¼	1⅛	1⅜	6	10⅞
12″ × 38 lb.	12	25.0	3⅝ × ⅜	8.6	1⅜	1¼	3⅜	2¼	1⅛	1⅜	6	10⅞
15″ × 38 lb.	15	33.0	4⅛ × ⅜	9.2	1 1/16	1 5/16	4½	3	1½	1¾	7½	13½
15″ × 44 lb.	15	40.0	4⅛ × ⅜	9.2	1 1/16	1 5/16	4½	3	1½	1¾	7½	13½

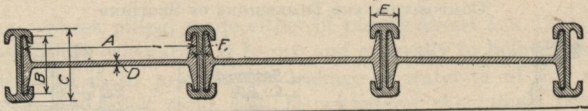
Symmetrical Interlock Channel Bar Piling

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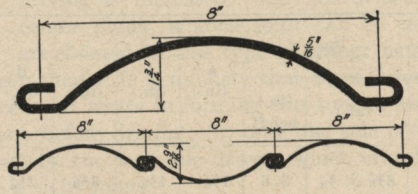
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10″ × 28 lb.	10	15.0	3⅛ × ¼	4.8	1 1/16	1 5/16	3	2	1	1¼	5	9
10″ × 34 lb.	10	20.0	3⅛ × ¼	4.8	1 1/16	1 5/16	3	2	1	1¼	5	9
12″ × 34 lb.	12	20.5	3⅝ × ⅜	8.6	1⅜	1¼	3⅜	2¼	1⅛	1⅜	6	10⅞
12″ × 39 lb.	12	25.0	3⅝ × ⅜	8.6	1⅜	1¼	3⅜	2¼	1⅛	1⅜	6	10⅞
15″ × 39 lb.	15	33.0	4⅛ × ⅜	9.2	1 1 1/16	1 5/16	4½	3	1½	1¾	7½	13½
15″ × 45 lb.	15	40.0	4⅛ × ⅜	9.2	1 1 1/16	1 5/16	4½	3	1½	1¾	7½	13½

Jones and Laughlin Steel Sheet Piling



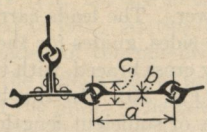
Size (inches)	Weight per sq. ft. (pounds)	A	B	C	D	E	F
12 × 5	35.00	12	3.94	5	0.34	1.97	0.21
12 × 5	36.25	12	3.97	5	0.37	1.97	0.21
15 × 6	37.20	15	4.75	6	0.37	2.12	0.23
15 × 6	39.75	15	4.81	6	0.44	2.12	0.23
15 × 6	42.25	15	4.87	6	0.50	2.12	0.23

Lackawanna Plate Sheet Piling



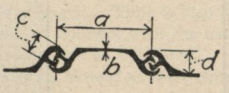
Width: 8 in. between joint centers.
Thickness of metal: 3/16 in.
Thickness of wall: 2 9/16 in.
Weight per sq. ft. of wall: 11.50 lb.
Weight per linear foot of piling section: 7.66 lb.

LACKAWANNA STEEL SHEET PILING—STRAIGHT WEB TYPE



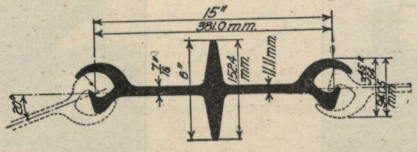
a (inches)	*b* (inches)	*c* (inches)	Weight per linear foot (pounds)	Weight per sq. ft. (pounds)
7	¼	1 3⅜64	12.54	21.5
12¾	⅜	3 45⁄64	31.18	35
12¾	½	3 45⁄64	42.5	40

LACKAWANNA STEEL SHEET PILING—ARCHED WEB TYPE



a (inches)	*b* (inches)	*d* (inches)	Weight per linear foot (pounds)	Weight per sq ft. (pounds)
14	⅜	3 1 1⁄16	40.83	35.0
15	7⁄16	4⅛	58.12	46.5

LACKAWANNA CENTER FLANGE STEEL SHEET PILING



This type (center flange) is designed for construction requiring high tensile and compressive strength in the pile section, together with a fairly high transverse strength. The center flange, as rolled on this section, acts as a stiffener to the web, increases the modulus of the section, and furnishes a means for attaching transverse ties, braces, etc., needed in special work, and tie rods used in binding on protective concrete facing in permanent protected construction.[1]

7. Pile Driving and Pile Pulling Equipment.

7*a*. Pile Drivers.—A pile driver (Fig. 18) is used in driving either timber or concrete piles and consists of two main parts—the bed and the leads.

The *bed* is mounted on rollers and supports the operating machinery. Pile drivers are mostly steam operated as the steam hammer is commonly used in driving. The operating machinery consists of a vertical boiler, engine, and two drum hoist—one for the pile line, the other for the hammer line. The bed is composed of timber sills long enough to allow the boiler, etc., to be set back from the leads to provide proper balance.

[1] From Lackawanna Catalogue.

The *leads* are long vertical members, rigidly connected to the sills opposite to the boiler and framed with back stays to form a tower. The leads carry at this upper end, sheaves for the hammer and pile lines; and along the sides, guides for the hammer. The leads in the smaller drivers are composed of wood, suitably cross braced, with the front open to allow for placing the pile and operation of the hammer (Fig. 19). In the larger sizes the leads are made up of structural steel. The leads must be of sufficient length and strength to hoist a pile from a position on the ground to starting position in the leads.

In driving precast concrete piles, the pile driver and its equipment is called on to withstand greater stresses than is the case when timber piles are used. Precast piles of 30-ft. length, average 2 to 4 tons, and larger piles about 6 to 8 tons in weight.

Locomotive cranes can be made to serve as pile drivers and in a number of instances have given very satisfactory service. In such rigs, leads are suspended from the boom and rigidly connected to the base.

In driving piles below the reach of the leads, two methods are employed. One employs a "follower,"

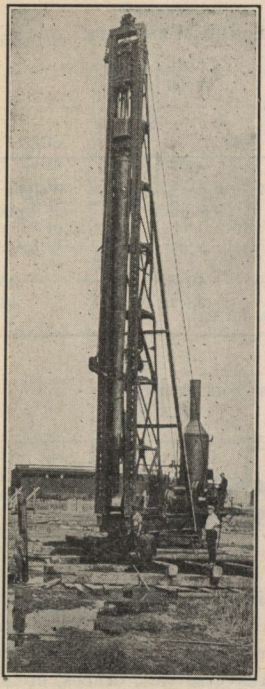


FIG. 18.—Steel pile driver, Raymond Concrete Pile Co., N. Y.

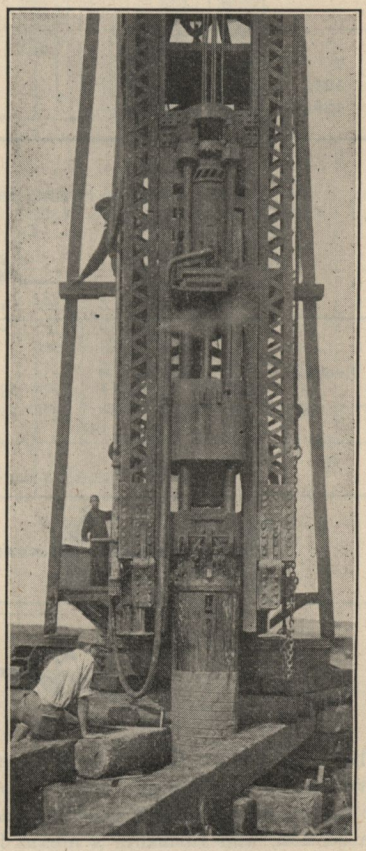


FIG. 19.—Steam hammer showing detail of hinged leads, ram, and driving cushion, Raymond Concrete Pile Co.

which is a stick of timber with some socketing means of holding the two in proper alignment. The other method utilizes telescopic leads fitted inside of the stationary leads and handled by a third drum. This latter method is not used except where a number of piles are to be driven below the sills, as at the bottom of trenches or in coffer-dams containing a large amount of cross bracing.

The total weight of a pile driver will depend on the size of pile to be driven and the weight of hammer used. These in turn will determine the dimensions and weights of sills, leads, and engine. An approximate weight of a driver using 50-ft. wood leads with a 4000-lb. hammer which will require an 8¼ × 10-in. engine weighing 12,000 lb.. will be a total of 15 to 18 tons.

Where jetting is to be carried on in conjunction with pile driving, the engine is equipped with a third drum or niggerhead to carry the lines supporting the jet pipe or pipes.

7*b*. Pile Hammers.—Hammers used with the pile driver and for driving sheet piling are designated, according to the manner of their operation, as drop hammers or steam hammers.

Drop Hammers.—Drop hammers (Fig. 20) are so called because they consist of a weight hoisted to some distance and allowed to fall. At the top is a ring to attach the line and at the sides are grooves to fit the guides of the pile-driver leads. Drop hammers are made relatively long to insure bearing in the guides and to prevent jar when the blow is struck, but a small amount of play is allowed in the jaws. The bottom is made slightly concave if it is to strike the head of the pile direct, but when a cap is used, the bottom is made flat. The center of gravity is as low as possible.

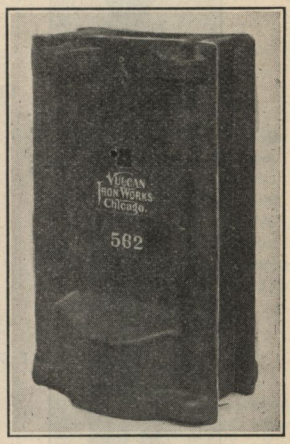


Fig. 20.—Vulcan drop hammer, Vulcan Iron Works, Chicago, Ill.

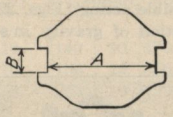
The hoisting and release of drop hammers is controlled in two ways. One is by means of a friction clutch on the drum, the hammer being hoisted to a desired height, when the clutch is released. The blow is therefore equal to the hammer weight falling through this distance, less the friction of the guides, and the pull to unwind the line from the drum. The other method is to attach the line to a block which contains fingers or triggers which automatically release the hammer at a desired height. Here the full force of weight and distance, less friction of guides only, is utilized in driving.

With the first arrangement, either light or heavy blows may be obtained and no time is lost in reconnecting line and hammer after the blow is delivered. In the second case a blow of a set value is struck and cannot be altered unless the trip for the trigger is changed. Time is also lost in this method as the trigger block must fall to connect with the hammer which must again be hoisted before the next blow can be delivered.

The weight of the hammer used with any rig should at least equal the weight of the pile; and best results are obtained when the ratio is about 2 to 1 in favor of the hammer, so that the pile will be driven into the ground after the inertia of the pile has absorbed its portion of the hammer energy. The fall should, however, not be too great as time is thus lost between blows. Better results are obtained with a heavy hammer falling a short distance than with a light hammer falling a long distance. An average weight for a hammer is 3000 lb., and falls vary from 5 to 20 ft

DROP HAMMERS

Manufactured by Vulcan Iron Works



Total net weight (pounds)	Distance between jaws (inches) *A*	Width of jaws (inches) *B*
3000	20	8¼
2500	19	7¼
2000	19	7¼
1800	18	6¼
1500	18	6¼
1200	16	5¼
1000	16	5¼
800	14	4¼
700	14	4¼
600	13	4¼
500	13	4¼

Steam Hammers.—A steam hammer is one in which the ram is actuated by steam. Steam hammers may also be operated with compressed air, but where air is used, larger exhaust openings are required to give the most efficient service.

The hammer is divided into two parts, the frame and the striker. The frame is attached

to the hammer line, has jaws on the side to engage the guides, and rests on and is free to follow the pile. The striker (or striking parts) consists of a steam cylinder and piston. The striking weight may be attached to either the piston or cylinder, dependent upon which is the moving part.

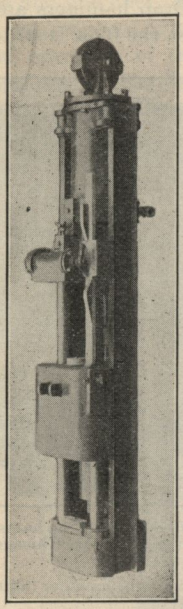


FIG. 21.—Warrington steam hammer, single acting. Vulcan Iron Works, Chicago, Ill.

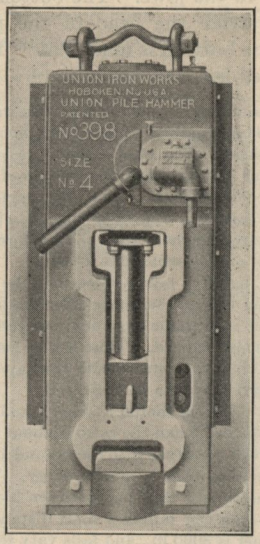


FIG. 22.—Union pile hammer, double acting.

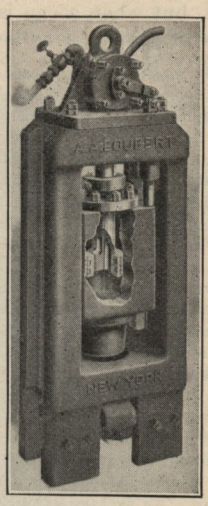


FIG. 23.—Goubert steam pile driving hammer, double acting.

Steam hammers may be either single acting (Fig 21)—as when steam is employed simply to raise the striking weight, which then falls by gravity—or double acting (Figs. 22, 23, and 24), when steam not only raises the weight but is also employed to aid the action of gravity in striking the blow. The total weight of a steam hammer is much greater than the weight causing the blow, but, as the frame rests on the pile, this weight tends to keep the pile in motion after it is started and eliminates vibration to a large degree. The length of stroke being short, about 24 to 42-in. blows are delivered in rapid succession, so that the pile is in more nearly continuous motion than it is when drop hammers are used. In general, the double acting hammer is lighter, its length of stroke is shorter, the weight of striking parts is less, and the number of blows per minute is greater than in the single acting hammer, but in heavy driving the single acting hammer with heavier ram finds preference.

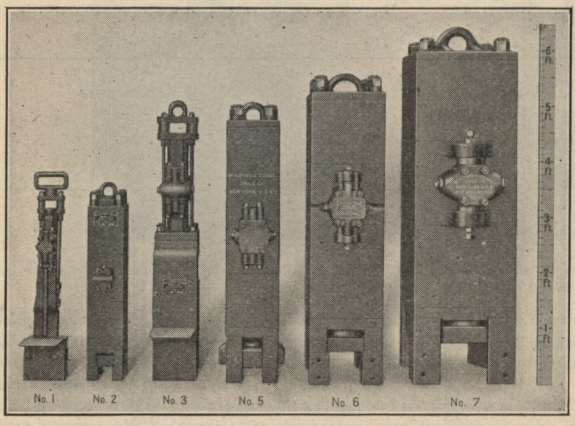


FIG. 24.—McKiernan-Terry pile hammers, double acting. McKiernan-Terry Drill Co., N. Y.

Numerous advantages are claimed for the steam hammer. Among these are: (1) serious damage to the pile, such as brooming, splitting, etc., is avoided, therefore saving the expense of putting rings on the head of the pile and also allowing the use of softer woods; (2) more piles may be driven in a given time with a smaller crew; (3) less injury is caused to adjacent buildings by cracking of plaster, breaking of glass, etc; (4) the life of the leads is increased 3 to 4 times; (5) the cost of driving is less in spite of higher first cost; and (6) ease of driving is greater, as the pile is kept in motion so that ground resistance is reduced.

Special hammers of lighter weight and having a special cap are used to drive sheet piling.

Weights and Dimensions of Pile Driving Hammers

Size number	Total net weight (lb.)	Weight of ram (lb.)	Dimensions over all: Height (in.)	Width (in.)	Depth (in.)	Cylinder: Diam. (in.)	Stroke (in.)	Strokes per min.	Steam boiler required H. P.	Comp. air, free air (cu. ft. per min.)	Size of hose (in.)	Distance between jaws (in.)	Width of jaws (in.)	Duty, size of piles or piling, hammer will drive
WARRINGTON STEAM PILE HAMMERS Manufactured by Vulcan Iron Works, Chicago, Ill. (see Fig. 21)														
0	16000	7500	180	...	...	16½	48	50	60	...	2½	26	9¼	Heavy concrete piles
*1	10150	5000	159	...	...	13½	42	60	40	...	2	20	8¼	16″ sq. or rd. piles
1	9850	5000	156	...	...	13½	42	60	40	...	2	20	8¼	16″ sq. or rd. piles
*2	6800	3000	144	...	...	10½	36	70	25	...	1½	19	7¼	13″ sq. or rd. piles
2	6500	3000	138	...	...	10½	36	70	25	...	1½	19	7¼	13″ sq. or rd. piles
3	3800	1800	114	...	...	8	30	80	18	...	1¼	18	6¼	10″ sq. or rd. piles
4	1350	550	84	...	...	4	24	80	8	...	1	14	4¼	4″ × 12″ sheeting
5	800	...	68	10	10	4	7½	125	10	...	1	10	4	3″ × 12″ sheeting
UNION PILE HAMMERS Manufactured by Union Iron Works, Hoboken, N. J. (see Fig, 22)														
0	12100	2550	118	28	20	10½	24	100	50	750	2	28	8½	Heavy concretepiles
1	8000	1548	94	28	18	9½	21	110	30	600	1½	28	8½	18″ sq. or rd. piles
2	5500	890	81	25	15	7¼	16	130	18	300	1¼	25	6½	14″ sq. or rd. piles
3	4500	663	74	23	13	6¼	14	135	15	200	1¼	23	5½	10″ sq. or rd. piles
4	2500	363	60	20	11	5¼	12	150	10	150	1	20	4½	6″ × 12″ sheeting
5	1400	214	47	17	9	4¼	9	200	8	100	1	17	4½	4″ × 12″ sheeting
6	850	129	40	14	8	3¼	7	250	5	60	¾	14	3⅜	2″ × 12″ sheeting
7	365	70	31	10	6	2⅜	5	300	3	40	¾	10	3⅜	1″ × 6″ sheeting
8	135	53	31	10	6	2⅜	5	300	3	40	¾	...	.....	
GOUBERT STEAM PILE DRIVING HAMMERS Manufactured by A. A. Goubert, New York, N. Y. (see Fig. 23)														
3	5000	1500	76	29	17	8	14	140	50	570	2	24	8¼	18″ sq. or rd. piles
2	3400	800	62	24	14	6¼	10	160	25	300	1½	22	6¼	12″ sq. or rd. piles
1	950	200	43	16	10½	4	8	200	10	120	1¼	...	.....	4″ sheeting
NATIONAL STEAM PILE HAMMERS Manufactured by National Hoisting Engine Co., Harrison, N. J.														
1	8000	1500	94	26	26	9	16	115	35	600	2	26	8½	Med. concrete and 18″ sq. or rd. piles
2	5500	1025	81	24	24	7¼	12	150	25	300	1½	24	6½	14″ sq. or rd. piles
3	3500	575	73	20	17½	6	10	170	15	200	1¼	20	5½	6″ × 12″ sheeting
4	1500	310	60	16	16	4½	9	200	10	150	1	16	4½	4″ × 12″ sheeting
5	800	145	46	14½	13½	3½	7	250	5	75	¾	14½	3⅜	3″ × 12″ sheeting
McKIERNAN-TERRY PILE HAMMERS Manufactured by McKiernan-Terry Drill Co., New York, N. Y. (see Fig. 24)														
9	7500	1250	78	21	21	15	12	200	60	600	2	21	6½ to 10	18″ sq. or rd. piles
8	6300	1050	75	21	21	14	10¾	210	50	500	1½	21	6½ to 10	16″ sq. or rd. piles
7	5000	800	73	21	16	12½	9½	225	35	350	1½	21	6½ to 8½	14″ sq. or rd. piles
6	2900	400	64	15	15	9¾	8¾	275	25	275	1¼	15	5½ to 7½	6″ × 12″ sheeting
5	1500	200	56	11	11	7	7	300	20	200	1¼	11	4½	4″ × 12″ sheeting
3	640	68	58	9	9½	3¼	5¾	300	15	150	1	9	.....	3″ × 12″ sheeting
2	400	47	44	7½	6⅝	4 1/16	5¼	450	10	125	¾	7½	.....	3″ × 8″ sheeting
1	145	21	43	8	6	2¼	3¾	500	10	100	¾	8	.....	2″ × 10″ sheeting
INGERSOLL-RAND SHEET PILE DRIVER Manufactured by Ingersoll-Rand Co., New York, N. Y.														
G1	1200	200	80	11¼	11	4	7¼	300	10	110	1¼	...	.....	4″ × 12″ sheeting

7c. Pile Caps, Points, and Pullers.—With timber or concrete piles, a driving cap is used between hammer and pile head. This cap (Fig. 25) consists of a metal block, one side of which is concave, the other recessed, in which is fitted a round wood cushion block. In cross section it resembles a drop hammer having jaws in the sides to engage the guides and is attached to the hammer by rope slings. When a cap is used, the hammer base is flat, but with timber piles, if no cap is used, the base is concaved to fit the head of the pile. If the use of such a cap is insufficient to prevent brooming or splitting of the head of a pile, an iron ring, made from flat wrought iron from 2 × ⅜ in. to 4 × 1 in. may be forced over it. Such rings may be removed and used over again many times.

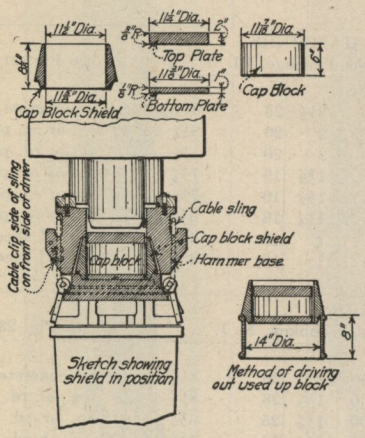


Fig. 25.—Raymond pile cap.

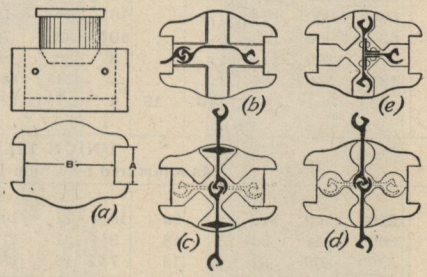


Fig. 26.—Steel sheet piling caps of the Lackawanna Steel Co.

Pile Points or Shoes.—Timber piles drive better in ordinary ground and with less danger of splitting if the tip is square, and without point or shoe. This also gives a better footing to the pile. When coarse gravel, boulders, and the like are encountered, the pile is preferably pointed to reduce splitting and crushing. Likewise, in hard compact earth which must be displaced, pointing is found to give better results.

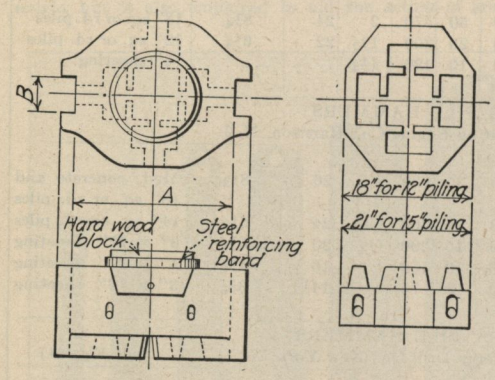


Fig. 27.—Sheet piling caps of the Jones & Laughlin Co.

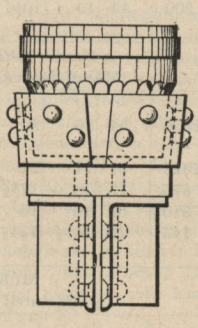


Fig. 28.—Sheet piling cap of the Carnegie Steel Co

Metal shoes are provided in some cases when boulders, riprap, very hard clay, and hardpan are encountered. Several types are in use, but the type which gives a square bearing to the tip of the pile, and also sufficient socket to make the pile and the shoe act together, is the most desirable. Some shoes for wood piles are made with a rod which fits into the center of the pile as an additional means of holding pile and shoe together. This rod is from 8 to 12 in. long and requires that provision be made for it in the pile. Precast concrete piles, if of good quality, should not require driving shoes.

For Sheet Piling.—Caps and shoes are not generally required for timber sheet piling as, due to their section, such protection is not necessary. In some cases, a bolt or short point is at-

tached but as a means of keeping the groove clean throughout its length so that grouting may be employed to insure a tight waterproof joint rather than as a penetrating point.

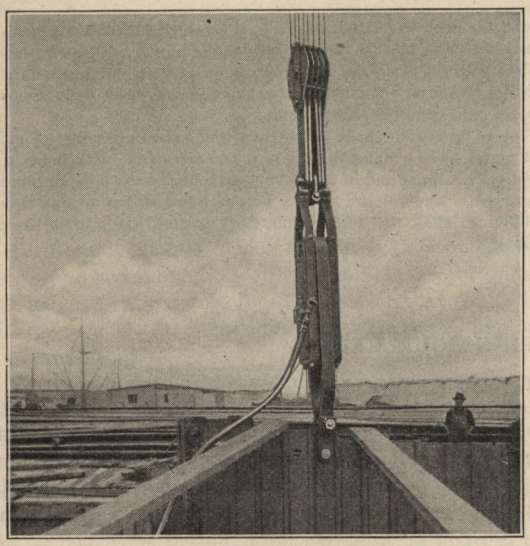


FIG. 29.—Pulling steel sheet piling with inverted hammer. McKiernan-Terry Drill Co., N. Y.

Steel sheet piling requires no shoe as it will cut its way through almost any material but hard rock and the top is sufficiently resistant to withstand the hammer blows without serious injury. Stumps and logs are easily cut through, as is riprap or soft rock. Special light weight hammers having a rectangular shaped anvil block slightly shorter than the sheeting, are used for driving.

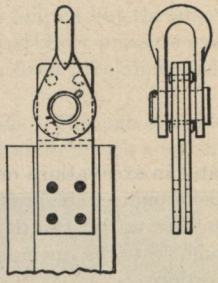


FIG. 30.—Sheet piling puller.

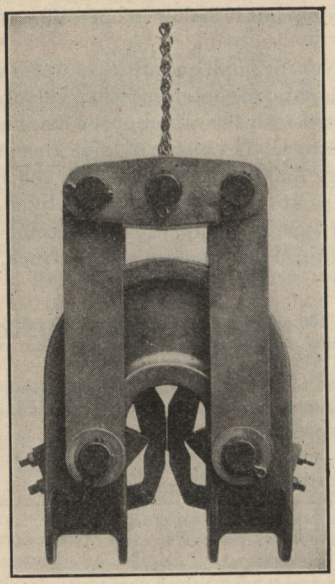


FIG. 31.—Grady pile puller. J. E. Grady, Cleveland, Ohio.

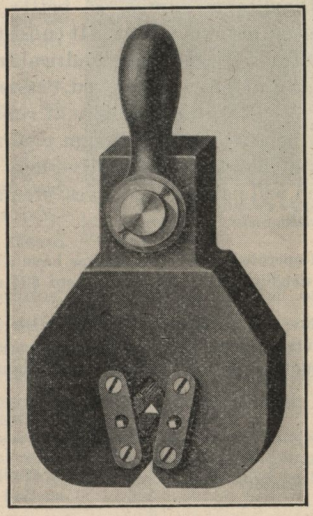


FIG. 32.—Bruce-Macbeth piling puller. Bruce-Macbeth Engine Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

With steel sheet piling, caps are used when necessary to fit the piling shapes to the various types of hammers. Such caps are attached to the hammer with rope slings; and where guides are used, the cap is equipped with jaws. The caps serve not only to distribute the blow and to lessen possible injury to the top of the pile but also to keep the piling in position (Figs. 26, 27, and 28).

Pulling.—Piles and sheet piling, particularly steel sheet piling, are preferably removed when that part of the work for which they were used has been completed. Piling may be removed by jacks, or by inverting the hammer if a steam or air hammer is used, or by levers.

In the case of round piles, a sling is put around the head and attached to a long lever, this lever being operated by derrick, jacks, or some other convenient means with new hitches taken as the piling moves. Often it is necessary to strike a few blows with the hammer to start a pile, or else to keep the sling taut for some time before the pile begins to move. Concrete piles are not used for temporary construction work and rarely have to be removed, though the same general procedure outlined above would be applicable to them.

Pulling of sheet piling is done either with levers, hydraulic jacks, or by inverting a steam hammer (Fig. 29). With either of these appliances a yoke of steel plates having holes drilled in it to correspond with holes in the piling, is fastened to the latter by bolts (Fig. 30). The upper end of the yoke is attached to the lever or hammer and power applied. Patented pullers are also used. Several are shown herewith whose aperations may be readily understood. The principle of these pullers is that the greater the effort exerted, the greater the grip and the quicker and easier the release after pulling.

PUMPING EQUIPMENT

By Nathan C. Johnson

Water in excavations or in footings or trenches must be removed by pumping. The size and type of pump to be provided for this purpose will depend on the amount of water accumulated or flowing in, the depth of cut, and the character of power available. As clearing away such water is, in most instances, a necessity, the cost of the operation is a secondary consideration.

8. Hand Lift Pumps.—For small amounts of water and low lifts, the direct lift hand pump may be employed. As this pump is made of either a sheet-iron tube or square wooden box having an ordinary flap valve at its lower end with a piston carrying another flap valve worked up and down in the tube, it may be constructed on the job, but it is slow in operation and easily clogged by refuse.

9. Diaphragm Pumps.—A better type of pump even for small quantities of water with low lifts is the diaphragm pump. It consists of a rubber diaphragm containing a flap valve mounted horizontally in a cast-iron cylindrical frame. Connected with the center of the diaphragm is a pivoted arm which, when moved, causes the diaphragm to act as a piston of large area and short stroke. A suction line, usually of rubber hose of large diameter, connects with the space, or cylinder, beneath the diaphragm piston. These pumps are preferably actuated by a gasoline engine, but hand or motor drive may be had. This type of pump will not become clogged easily and will pass straw, leaves, etc., and may be obtained mounted on a small truck, so as to be portable.

Hand operated diaphragm pumps have a capacity of 30 to 100 gal. per min. A pump of 60 gal. per minute capacity, weighing 75 lb., will cost about $35 not including strainer, foot valve, and hose. These are extras with all pumps.

Gasoline driven diaphragm pumps range in capacity from 30 to 300 gal. per min. Such a pump mounted on iron skids and having 150 gal. per min. capacity for lifts up to 20 ft., will weight 625 lb. and cost about $325. Truck mounting will increase the weight slightly and the cost about $25.

Hand Operated Diaphragm Pumps[1]

Number	Size of pipe suction	Gallons per stroke	Gallons per hour
1	2½ in.	¾	1800
2	3 in.	1½	3500
3	4 in.	2½	6000

[1] Capacity based on 40 strokes per minute.

POWER OPERATED DIAPHRAGM PUMPS

Outfit no.	Horsepower eng.	Rated pump cap. (gal. per (hr.)	Size suc. (inches)	Bare wt. (pounds)	Ship. wt. (pounds)	Export	
						Approx. ship. wt. (pounds)	Approx. cu. ft. space
202	Jr. (1 hp.)	3000	3	400	550	700	35
203	1½	3000	3	450	600	800	36
204	3	3000	3	600	775	1000	52
205	3	5000	4	640	825	1040	52
206	4	5000	4	900	1075	1200	55

10. Steam (Siphon Type) Pumps.—An economical steam-actuated pump much used in construction work operates on the familiar ejector plan. Its lift is limited but the amount of water handled ranges from 5 to 200 gal. a minute according to size and boiler pressure available for its operation. Its main advantages are portability and freedom from breakdown, as there are no moving parts.

The pump proper consists of a discharge pipe open at both ends. Through one side near the bottom, a small pipe is inserted and bent up, preferably at and concentric with a constriction in the internal diameter of the main pipe. The other end of this small pipe is connected to a steam boiler. The discharge pipe dips into the water at its lower end. Steam issuing from the small tube forms a vacuum in the pipe sufficient to lift water to the constriction, then carries it up and out through the discharge.

The *pulsometer* (Fig. 33) is a type of pump used to great advantage where steam is available, the quantity of water large, and the lift fairly high. This pump is said to operate where sand with gravel and stones as large as 6-in. in diameter are to be removed with collected water. Having no moving pistons, the pump will not clog; and, by having large valves, stones and refuse of considerable size will pass. The pulsometer may be mounted on a truck with boiler, but in most installations it is suspended by chains or ropes over the water to be removed. Steam and water connections are made with rubber hose so that the outfit is easily moved from place to place. Pulsometers may be connected in series where the total lift is greater than the lifting ability of one alone.

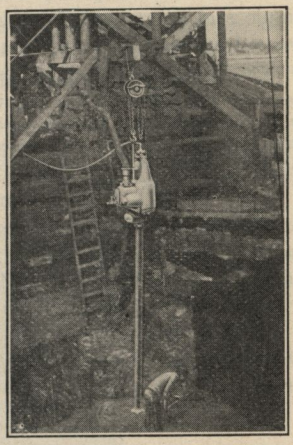


FIG. 33.—Pulsometer steam pump in operation. Pulsometer Steam Pump Co., N. Y.

11. Pressure Pumps.—For removing water from deep foundations, pumps of high lift are required. Diaphragm and pulsometer pumps are sometimes used in unwatering foundations, the latter to quite an extent, but centrifugal or steam cylinder pumps are better employed.

11*a*. Centrifugal Pumps.—Centrifugal pumps comprise a circular or spiral casing having suction at the center with discharge at the outer circumference. They are made vertical or horizontal, but the latter is more common as the means of driving is simpler. Inside the casing is a circular disk or impeller, provided with curved vanes which revolve at high speed throwing the water outwardly, so that it escapes under pressure through the discharge.

Pumps of this type are made either single or multiple stage, the latter being several units placed in one casing to increase the lift. No valves except a foot valve on the suction line are required with this type of pump and for this reason a certain amount of sand can be handled with the water. This will, however, cause wear of the blades and soon will reduce the efficiency of the pump.

Centrifugal pumps may be driven by steam or gasoline engines, but owing to the high rotative speed required, electric motors direct connected are preferably used. Means of priming the pump must be provided, such as a pet cock at the top of the casing through which water is admitted until the suction line and casing are full after which suction is established and maintained through rotation of the impeller in the full casing. In some installations a small pump is fitted to the casing for priming.

Centrifugal pumps are an intermediate step between simple suction pumps and high-lift pumps. They are best suited to handle large amounts of water under medium heads.

NUMBERS, SIZES, CAPACITIES, DIMENSIONS, AND WEIGHTS OF THE IMPROVED PULSOMETER

Sizes of pipes (inches				Capacities in gallons per minute at different elevations with boiler power usually provided (approximate)				Horse power required	Dimensions and weights		
No.	Steam	Suction	Discharge	25 ft.	50 ft.	75 ft.	100 ft.		Height (inches)	Floor space (inches)	Weight (pounds)
2	¼	1½	1½	25	22	18	13	4	25	14 × 13	95
3	⅜	2	2	70	60	48	35	5	27	17 × 14	140
4	½	2½	2½	125	105	90	70	6	33	19 × 19	295
5	½	3	3	200	180	140	100	9	38	21 × 22	430
6	¾	3½	3½	350	315	240	160	12	43	23 × 24	570
7	¾	4	4	450	400	300	190	15	49	25 × 26	745
8	1	5	5	750	675	500	350	25	61	32 × 33	1375
9	1½	7	6	1100	1000	750	500	35	72	38 × 36	2100
10	2	8	8	2200	2000	1600	1100	70	88	52 × 45	3800

11b. Steam Cylinder Pumps.—Steam pumps for medium or high lifts are built in great variety, from small donkey pumps, in which a steam actuated piston carries on its outer end a water piston working in an opposed cylinder, up to large duplex pumps, both simple and compound, for higher pressures and equivalent lifts. For very high lifts, triplex or quadruplex pumps may be used, but these are of the rotating shaft, crank-driven type.

In all cylinder and plunger pumps, the maximum suction head is about 20 ft., which necessitates the pumping machinery being placed at that height above intake, lifting beyond this being produced by positive pump pressure on the discharge side. In construction work, they have as a disadvantage their inability to handle sand or grit, which cuts the cylinders and valves. Care must therefore be taken with their use to provide proper sumps and adequate settlement and straining-out of refuse.

11c. Triplex Pumps.—Triplex pumps consist of three cylinders, each connected to the suction and discharge lines by manifolds. A crank shaft with cranks set 120 deg. apart operates the pistons. Each cylinder has its own inlet and outlet valves so that each works independently of the others. Triplex pumps may be driven by belts, steam, or gasoline engines, or by electric motors. They are rated as slow speed, or about 100 to 150 r.p.m.

This type of pump is used for high heads ranging from 100 to 500 ft., and will handle from 70 to 100 gal. per min. They are mounted on a solid frame, space being left for the driving power.

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12. Handling Forms for Concrete.[1]—Forms should be so designed that column forms may be removed first without disturbing supports of beams and girders in order to give early strength to columns through drying and hardening. Beam and girder slabs are next taken down, with temporary struts having wedged bearing against planks on the underside as temporary supports. Wall forms may be removed when the concrete is sufficiently hard to bear its own weight.

Dependent upon the size of the form panels, their weight, and the headroom available, one or another method of handling forms may be adopted. Derricks, gin-poles, and winches, or blocks and falls enable even large sections to be readily handled. Smaller sections may be better handled manually. Initial loosening of forms may be brought about by pinch bars or other levers by pulling with blocks and falls, or by jacks, care being taken not to pry against green concrete.

[1] For forms for concrete, see Sect. 5, Art. 39.

13. Equipment for Bending Reinforcement.

13*a*. Hand Benders.—Fig. 34 shows the Universal bar bender which may be fastened to any bench or plank. It is a light portable device weighing about 60 lb. and capable of bending all ordinary sizes of reinforcing bars to any angle desired without any adjustment being necessary. The top half of the bender can be removed and used to bend bars after they are in place. The bar rolls around the pin in bending, thus distributing the strain along the bar and reducing the chances of fracture at the bend. The bender is equipped with a 5-ft. crowbar for a handle which may be removed and used for other purposes. To bend large bars easily, the handle should be lengthened by using an iron pipe over the crowbar.

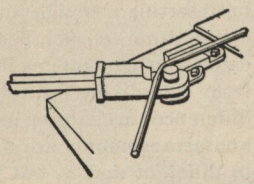


FIG. 34.—Universal bar bender.

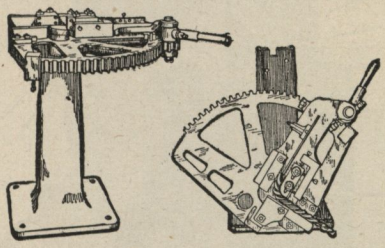


FIG. 35.—Wallace bar bender.

A bar bender designed for heavy work and manufactured by the Wallace Supplies Mfg. Co., Chicago, Ill., is shown in Fig. 35. This machine has an auxiliary ratchet lever which operates a pinion against a series of teeth in the frame at a large ratio, thus developing great power. The ratchet panel may be thrown out of engagement and machine operated with the regular lever for light work.

13*b*. Power Operated Benders.—Fig. 36 shows a power operated truck mounted bar bender designed to bend any size of reinforcing rod that is likely to be used in building operations. Any size of bar from ¼ to 1¼ in., round, square, or deformed, can be bent to any

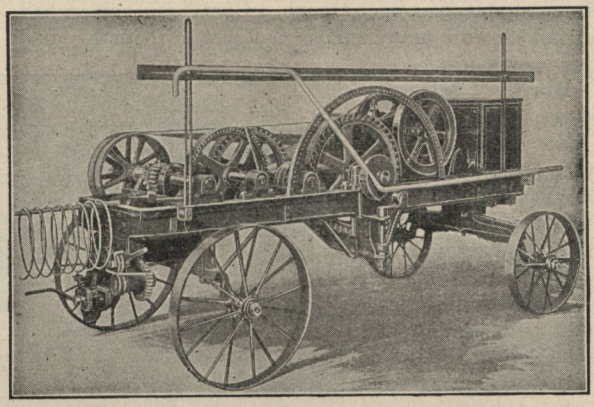


FIG. 36.—Power-operated bar bender.

angle desired; or spirals formed from 6-in. diameter to any required size. Weight, complete, ready for shipment, 2700 lb. The machine is manufactured by Kardong Bros., Minneapolis, Minn.

14. Machine vs. Hand-mixing.—Except in relatively small quantities, hand-mixing of concrete is not to be economically considered. Furthermore, hand-mixing is inferior to machine-mixing, with no comparison in quantity output. The province of a mixing machine is essentially the thorough incorporation of materials—one of the fundamentals in the production of sound, enduring concrete. Mixing, therefore, should be accorded the respect due its importance, and the best possible means chosen for its accomplishment.

15. Types of Mixers.—The general types of mixers which have endured and are on the market at the present time may be classified as *drum mixers, trough mixers, gravity mixers, and pneumatic mixers.*

15*a*. Drum Mixers.—Drum mixers (Fig. 37) are essentially of a type, differing mainly in excellence of mechanical construction and arrangement. The action of all of them is about the same so far as mixing is concerned, the operation being accomplished by agitation, lifting, and pouring of the several materials by blades and scoops attached to the inside of the mixer drum. With the exception of tilting mixers, discharge of the materials from the drum is accomplished by inserting a trough into one side of the drum, in such position as to catch the concrete as it is poured from the mixing buckets. Minor differences in charging mechanisms and arrangements are to be noted in different makes, but the action of all is essentially the action of a churn, in which capacity they would function if filled with cream, instead of with stone, sand, cement, and water.

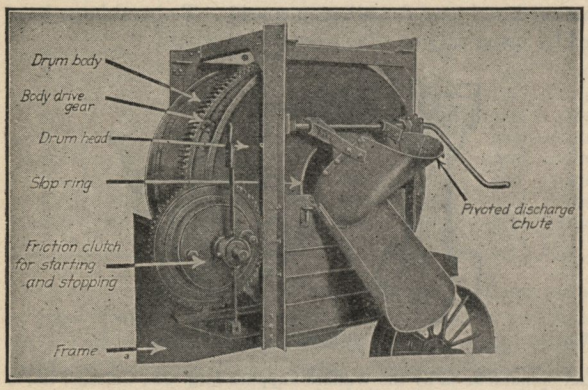


FIG. 37.—Drum mixer.

Of the low-charging mixers, the mixer shown in Fig. 38 is typical. Small pot mixers such as shown in Fig. 39 are excellent for small work.

15*b*. Trough Mixers.—Trough mixers are paddle mixers of one type or another. They may be batch mixers of the shoveling type (Fig. 40) or continuous mixers (Fig. 41) in which a sectional screw rotates in an open trough. Continuous mixers have not met as general favor as have batch mixers since many engineers object to these mixers on the ground of uncertainty of charging operations.

15*c*. Gravity Mixers.—Gravity mixers are essentially a series of large funnels or pans suspended one above another with bottom gates which can be opened successively, permitting materials to flow from one into the other with incidental mixing to a greater or less extent. Gravity mixers are often urged in preference to power-driven mixers on grounds of cheapness in operation and low first cost, permitting their being scrapped when worn; but many engineers do not advocate their use because of the inherent uncertainty of their mixing operation and oftentimes the requirement of detrimental quantities of water to prevent the mass sticking in the pans.

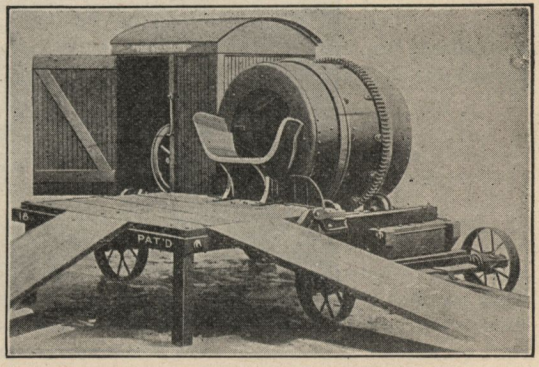


FIG. 38.—Low charging drum mixer.

15*d*. Pneumatic Mixers.—Pneumatic mixers have been developed by various inventors. At the present time there are two main types on the market. In some of these machines premixing is had before delivery, either mechanically or by the agitation of air pressure, while in others the charge is introduced into a chamber, dependence of mixing being placed on what may happen in transit through pipes under the delivering air pressure. Pneumatic mixers have their own particular field—that of placing concrete in forms where access is particularly difficult but because of the large compressor plant which must be installed for each mixer,

and for other reasons which are valid and of importance in many classes of work, their use is relatively restricted.

16. Machine Mixing.

16*a*. Time of Mixer Operations.—Considering the concreting plant proper as an installation for mixing together raw materials to form concrete, the plant cycle can be considered as complete in three operations, viz., charging, mixing, and discharging.

In charging and discharging the mixer, a time limit is imposed both by the physical laws governing the flow of materials from one container to another, and also (in the case of power-loading, or side-loading hoppers in particular) by the physical limitations of operatives and of the mechanism itself. As plant refinements are given consideration (particularly with regard to the gravity loading of measuring or charging hoppers from overhead bins) this loading time is diminished; but when a side-loading hopper, or a measuring hopper is charged by wheelbarrows, the time is lengthened more or less according to the perfection of the runway arrangements and the speed at which the men work.

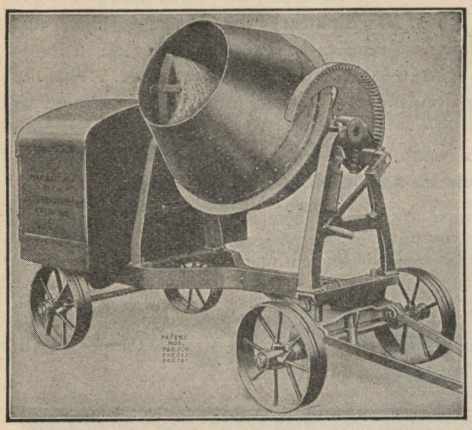


FIG. 39.—Small pot mixer.

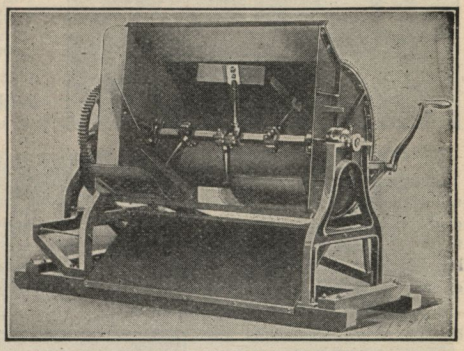


FIG. 40.—Batch mixer of the shoveling type.

16*b*. Time of Mixing.—Insufficient time is given to the mixing operation itself in most commercial work. Too long a period may possibly be indulged, but it usually is not; and no fear need be entertained of injuring the concrete by a mixing interval up to and including 30 min. The mixing operation proper comprehends not only admixture of materials, but also reaction between cement and water with distribution of the products of this reaction over the surfaces of sand and stone. The time required for such thorough incorporation, and, to a certain extent, for the hastening of the reaction between cement and water, depends upon the adequacy of the blading and cleanness of the mixer. Oftentimes mixers are put on work with the drum half-choked with concrete or full of holes, or the blading so worn that they cannot handle the materials. Necessarily such mixers will not produce the same result as a clean mixer, properly bladed and having a tight drum. Also, mixers are not all equally efficient.

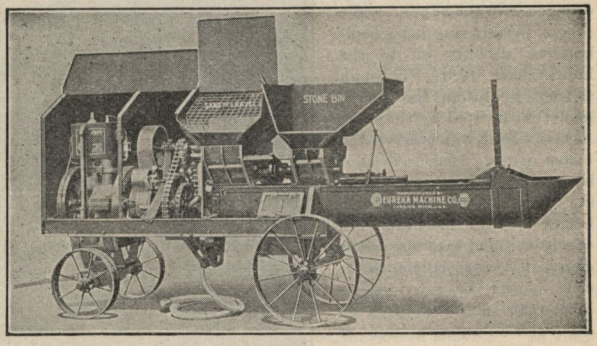


FIG. 41.—Continuous mixer.

So many factors enter into the making of good concrete, that a hard and fast rule applicable to all cases cannot be made, but in general it may be said 30 sec. or even 1 min. of mixing is inadequate. It is far better, when it is desired to do a thoroughly first-class job, to employ more mixers even at a higher first cost for equipment and work them on a longer schedule, than it is to attempt with one mixer to get out concrete on a rapid-fire schedule. The latter method often brings a chain of unfortunate consequences, for not only is the concrete inadequately mixed and the cement insufficiently used, but also excess water is nearly always added in order to make the mass free-working and to diminish the labor of mixing.

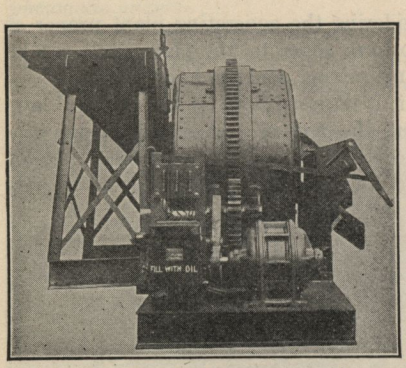


FIG. 42.—Charging hopper mounted on mixer frame.

16c. Loading the Mixer.—There are many time economies that may be effected in loading the charge of materials into the mixer. Various types of loading mechanism have been designed to meet different conditions of service and the time cycle of each is different. A study of each type will show its adaptability to particular needs.

Charging Hoppers.—Where a charging hopper mounted on the mixer frame can be used, as in Fig. 42, the limitation to charging time is dependent upon the design of this hopper, upon the slope of its sides and upon the size of opening from hopper to drum. Inasmuch as this type of charging device is usually loaded by gravity from superposed measuring hoppers, like considerations must be taken into account in their design; and always there must be promptitude in releasing of gates, etc. In some very large operations, pneumatic opening devices have been installed with an interlocking system, so that a sequence of operations is carried out with almost perfect regularity and great efficiency.

Power Loaders.—Side loaders or power loaders are often attached to mixers in order to give the advantages of low loading, as well as those of relatively high discharge of mixed materials. The general type of mechanism employed is shown in Fig. 43. The type of loading hopper or skip varies with different manufacturers, some hoppers having a raised back, requiring a slight incline for wheelbarrows that must be dumped into the hopper, while others permit running wheelbarrows directly on to the hopper back itself. Through a friction clutch, the power loader is elevated by the same motive power which drives the mixer drum. Inasmuch as it is required to hoist such loading skips to a considerable height before materials will run from them into the mixer drum, it is essential that sufficient power be provided to hoist this skip rapidly, as otherwise an undue amount of time will be consumed in this elevating operation. The mixers of different manufacture vary widely as to speed of hoisting; and it will generally be found that the more expensive mixers have a better and more rapid hoisting mechanism, in addition to their other economies, than have the cheaper types of mixing machines.

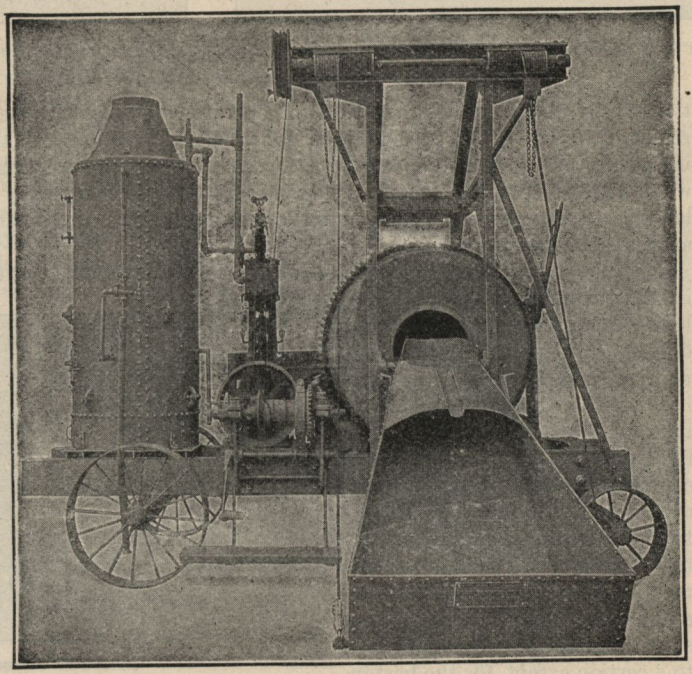


FIG. 43.—Power side loader.

Low-charging Mixers.—Low-charging mixers (see Fig. 38), particularly in smaller units, have of recent years been meeting with favor. In such mixers the opening at the charging end is relatively larger than in other types of

drum mixers and blading about this opening on the interior of the drum is so disposed as to draw the materials within the drum from a relatively small hopper of low height into which they are charged by wheelbarrows. With such mixers an inclined runway platform of 2½ to 3 ft. in height is required. Their advantages, therefore, consist in a simplification of charging and the absence of hoisting mechanisms rather than in any particular efficiency of mixing operation. Furthermore, these machines are relatively low in price and a number of small units, gasoline or electric motor-driven, are often very advantageous when distributed about the work. From a standpoint of thorough mixing and flexibility of operation, there is much to recommend this practice, inasmuch as the needs of one part of the work can be supplied without reference to other parts or causing an overdraft on any one machine with consequent speeding up of operrations as is the case when all parts of the work are demanding concrete at the same time from a single, centralized plant.

16*d*. Measuring Materials.—It is often taken for granted that measurement of materials for a concrete batch is of little or no importance and that it can be accomplished in almost any way. It is probable that the average mix varies at least 50% in its proportions from those desired, and for this reason alone it is not to be wondered that much concrete found on every hand is so variable in quality.

Materials should be measured either in bottomless boxes placed on wheelbarrows, or like devices, or else in a barrow pan permitting of struck measurement. A measuring barrow of known capacity permitting struck measurement is shown in Fig. 44. At the same time these barrows are adapted by reason of their balance, to the conveyance of considerable quantities of material at one time. Measuring hoppers of known capacity, if carefully filled, can be made to function quite accurately; but where they are not struck, or where there is pronounced variation in the moisture content of the sand, the quantities of materials obtained per batch will be found surprisingly variable.

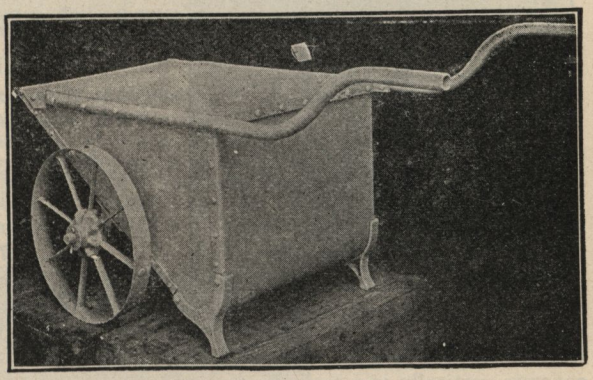


FIG. 44.—Measuring barrow.

17. Transporting and Placing Concrete.—Providing means for transporting mixed concrete and for placing it properly in forms, both in first cost and in ultimate effect, rank equal in importance with the operations of proportioning, and of mixing raw materials. In mixed concrete, not only are the raw materials to be handled and oftentimes conveyed to considerable distances, but in addition this must be done at low unit cost and in such a manner and so expeditiously as to protect the mixed mass from injury.

The means usually adopted for the conveyance and placing of concrete are some sort of bucket or else open spouts or chutes through which the concrete flows by gravity after being hoisted from the mixer in a tower, or else in barrows or carts. The particular means adopted in any case, will depend upon the size of the operation, upon the physical conditions attendant, and upon the financial limitations to plant imposed by commercial consideration.

17*a*. Barrows.—As affecting perhaps the great bulk of concrete used today, it will be proper to first consider the use of barrows. This method involves less original plant outlay than the others before enumerated. In many instances, the cost of installation of an elaborate plant would cover not only the cost of the barrows themselves, but a great part of the entire cost of distribution of the concrete by other means.

The ordinary wheelbarrow having a flat pan is not well adapted to the distribution of concrete. In such a barrow a man can handle about 1½ to 2 cu. ft. of mixed concrete. This load he can wheel about 25 ft. every 3 min., the objection to the pan wheelbarrow being that the man's working rate is necessarily cut down by the care which is required to keep the materials from slopping over the sides. Furthermore by the design of the barrow a large proportion of the weight of the load is on the man's arms, rather than on the wheel. Deep pan barrows have been designed to overcome this difficulty, but have not wholly accomplished the desired end.

17*b*. Concrete Carts.—Two-wheel concrete carts (Fig. 45) are better adapted to this work than wheelbarrows, both because they can carry a larger load and also because this

load is balanced on the wheels themselves with little or no strain on the man. The usual two-wheel concrete car is of 6-cu. ft. capacity in which about 4½ cu. ft. of mixed concrete can be carried by one man.

In this comparison there are, however, certain cost offsets to be made. Wheelbarrows require less scaffolding than do the heavier and wider carts, so that the cost of this runway must be carefully estimated. When runways must be elevated, the showing becomes more favorable for carts, as bents or supports for wheelbarrows must be practically of the same size and strength as those for carts. Turnouts and gangways must in both cases be of ample width so that there may not be congestion in the passing of full and empty carts going to and returning from the forms.

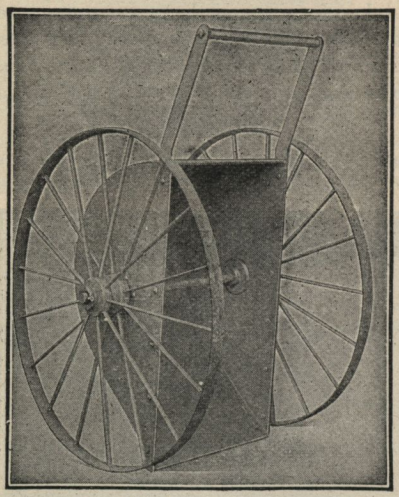


Fig. 45.—Concrete buggy.

17*c*. Buckets.—There is a great variety in types of buckets adapted to the distribution of concrete. Some of these buckets are straight-side skips, as in Fig. 10, p. 842 adapted to dump by overturning. Others are bottom dumping buckets operated by a man at the form; and these bottom dumping buckets may be of various patterns, adapted to some particular use. An example of this sort of bucket is shown in Fig. 11, p. 842, in which the bottom is so constructed as to form a long narrow opening, actuated through a powerful lever mechanism. A great variety of these devices is on the market and the needs of each particular situation must be studied and met by as specialized a product for that use as financial considerations will permit.

17*d*. Spouts or Chutes.—The handling of concrete through spouts or chutes at the present time is in more extensive use than any of the foregoing methods of distribution, with the possible exception of distribution in carts. The economic features of spouting are attractive. To raise concrete vertically in a tower by means of a skip bucket and engine located at the central mixer plant, then distributing by gravity through channels which can be arranged in convenient sections to cover any area with a radius from 10 to 300 ft. from the base of the tower, appeals strongly both to engineering and to business sense. Further, the ease of handling by gravity is usually greater and the time cost per cubic yard for placing is usually less than in transferring the same quantity of material in hand-barrows, in cableway buckets, or in cars. Yet in spite of its many good points, the convenience of spouting has brought about many abuses.

In all spouting installations, care must be taken to have the chutes at a working inclination. Furthermore, it is important to maintain a uniform pitch throughout the entire line, in order that the flow may be thorough and uninterrupted and not subject to slackening at one part and accelerated flow in another. The pitch also must be greater when the material is to be carried to a considerable distance than when it is to be carried only a short distance, for as the distance increases, the friction of the concrete in a chute tends to overcome its initial momentum. Whereas, therefore, a wet concrete will flow 50 ft. with the pitch of 1 in 6 it becomes necessary to increase this pitch to 1 in 4 for a distributing distance of 100 ft., while a distance of 300 or 400 ft. will require a pitch of 1 in 3. The slopes as above described are based upon chute rigidly supported having uniform pitch throughout; and it would be even better to increase this pitch in order that concretes of a drier consistency may be used.

17*e*. Sections Used in Spouting.—It is desirable that concrete spouting be arranged in a series of units which may be assembled in various combinations. Continuous-line spouting should be changeable to swivel-head, or swivel-head to continuous-line, as the conditions of the work require, it being necessary, of course, to have in stock a supply of the necessary units. This interchangeability is of great value in service, for spouts wear at the head and foot of each unit of length. By reversing a trough section, end for end, when showing heavy wear at one point, a new, unworn surface may be put at point of greatest wear.

A standard trough section is made of No. 14 gage steel, forming a trough 8½ in. deep by 10 in. wide on top. The bottom is curved to practically a semicircle of 4-in. radius, the upper

part of the sides being straight and tangent to the curve. Each section is punched with standard spacing, arranged for connecting all of the various attachments.

The hopper head attached at one end for receiving the concrete from the bin, or from an upper trough section, forms one point of support of the next trough section. At the other end is the splash hood. By fastening the hopper head to the trough section at one end, and the splash hood at the other, we have the complete trough section, Fig. 46. These 24 × 24-in. hopper heads, as well as the splash hoods, can be bolted to either end of any standard trough section.

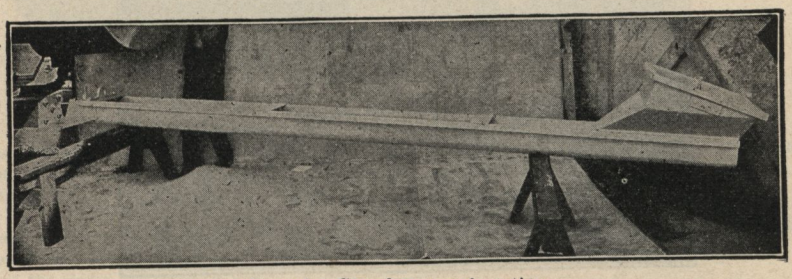


FIG. 46.—Complete trough section.

Standard trough sections are joined for continuous-line spouting by bolting together their angle-iron yokes or flanges and bolting on the compression plate part. Thus, several sections are joined together, with a hopper head at one end of the entire group, and a splash hood at the other end.

Fig. 47 shows the swivel-hook used in making the flexible joint between successive trough sections for swivel-head spouting and shows one of these joints, in which the upper line of spouting is supported by a fall and tackle attached to the bail on the splash hood; while the lower line is supported by the swivel-hook, connecting the lower hopper head with the splash hood of the upper line. The swivel-hook is kept clear of the path of the concrete.

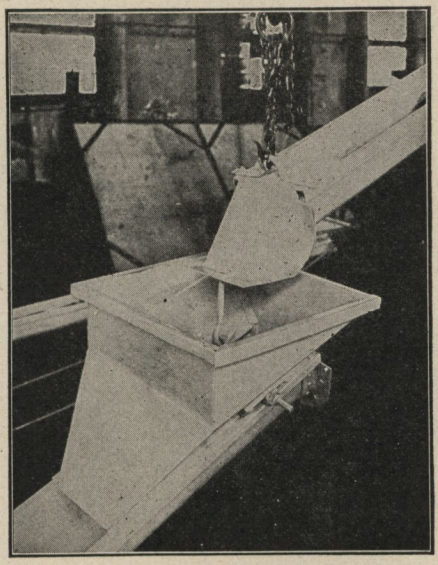


FIG. 47.—Swivel hook.

In some cases it is desirable to have a flexible joint in continuous-line spouting. In this case the two sections are put together in a different manner, Fig. 48, where both the hopper head and the splash hood are dispensed with. The hanger plate is here used in conjunction with a special yoke, after one of the angle-iron yokes has been removed. This allows a slight movement sideways, without requiring the attachments for the swivel-head operation.

Various types of spouting have been tried, ranging from round pipe to rectangular troughs. Best results have been secured from the use of 5-in. pipes, or 10-in. open troughs, the latter having the preference for flat slopes, and the former where there is necessity for varying pitch, with a likelihood of steeper pitch than named above.

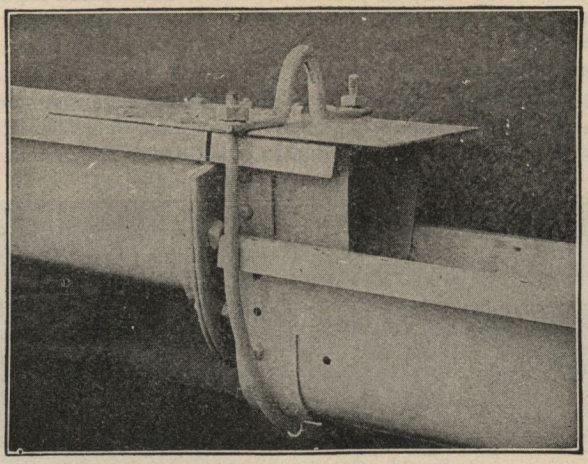


FIG. 48.—Joining two sections.

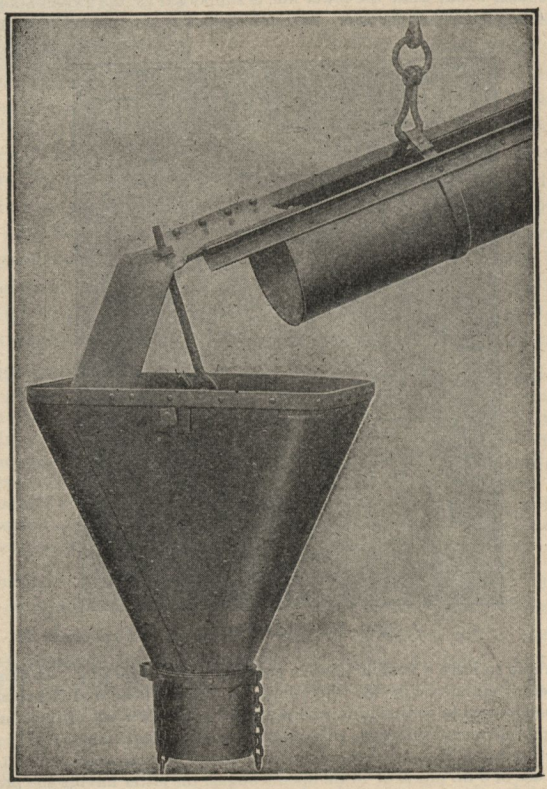


FIG. 49.—Remixing hopper.

With open spouting the use of remixing hoppers (Fig. 49), in connection with flexible spouting (Fig. 50) accomplishes satisfactorily the necessary changes in pitch.

The greatest items of expense in spouting plants are first cost, installation, and maintenance. Maintenance

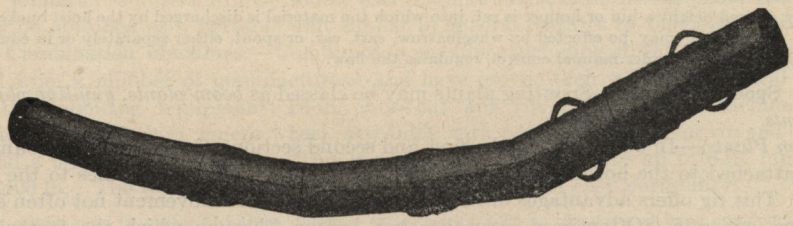


FIG. 50.—Flexible spouting.

charges are particularly heavy. The ordinary stock spouting which is made of No. 14 gage metal will seldom handle more than 2000 cu. yd. without renewal. This is due to the abrasive action of the material, especially as affecting the rivets which join the various sections.

A recent development is a spout made up of two or more longitudinal sections of the shape indicated in Fig. 51. The various sections are interchangeable, and there are no bolts or rivets extending through the spout, all joint bolts or rivets passing through the flanges, and the advantage of making possible renewal of work sections severally, instead of renewing the length of spout as a whole. This type furthermore ensures a spout which is stiff in all directions, a point of considerable importance.

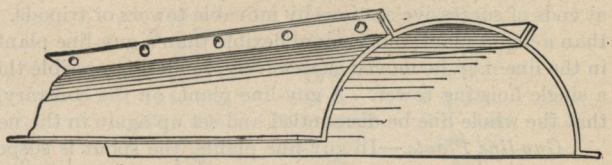


FIG. 51.—Spout in three sections.

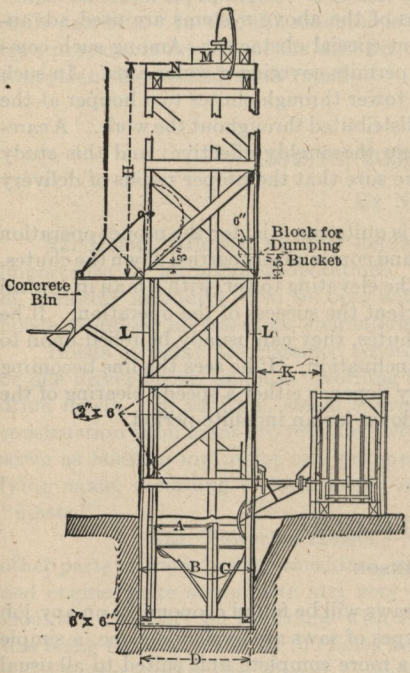


FIG. 52.—Typical hoist.

17*f*. Hoists.—Whether the distribution is by spouts, by carts, or by barrows, it has become general practice on all work extending above ground to hoist the concrete. For this purpose a tower is practically indispensable.

It will ordinarily be found advisable to install the hoist at the beginning of operations, since by so doing the mixer may readily be set so that the operation of charging may be facilitated, principally by cutting out inclines, with resultant saving in labor.

Towers are constructed of steel or wood. The hoist bucket should be constructed on the simplest lines without catches or trips. A substantial bail made of two 3-in. Z-bars back to back, is arranged to operate between two 5¾-in. wooden guides, and is fitted at the lower end with journals in which rests the bucket trunnion. In setting up the tower and bucket it is advisable in all cases to set the bucket so that it is balanced, and to this end the front guide should be so set as to be almost in contact with the nose of the bucket when the latter is pushed back to a point where the load will tend slightly to press the stops on the sides of the bucket backward against the bail. Friction of the nose against the guides is, by this means, cut down. By removing the front guide at any point in the height of the tower, and placing a block on the back of the latter, the bucket is canted forward so that it will drop its contents out through the opening made by the removal of the front guide. The bucket automatically rights itself, and is pulled back into position by the weight of the bail when the operator releases the brake.

A typical hoist is shown in Fig. 52, operating in connection with a mixer, the power being taken from an extension of the mixer shaft. The power equipment of the latter should be of sufficient capacity to operate both mixer and hoist at the same time.

At any desired height a bin or hopper is set, into which the material is discharged by the hoist bucket. From this point distribution may be effected by wheelbarrow, cart, car, or spout, either separately or in combination. The gate of the hopper, under manual control, regulates the flow.

17*g*. Spouting Plants.—Spouting plants may be classed as *boom plants*, *guy-line plants*, and *tower plants*.

Boom Plants.—In boom plants, the first and second sections of spouting are mounted on a bracket attached to the hoisting tower, the free end being moved by tag lines to the position desired. This rig offers advantages of flexibility and freedom of movement not often obtained in placing concrete. Oftentimes open-throated booms (through which the first section of spouting is carried) are used, these having the advantage of lending lateral stability to the spout itself as well as of economizing space.

Tower Plants.—Tower plants are of like general feature, but the spouting line is supported at ends of successive sections by movable towers or tripods. A plant of this kind is less flexible than a boom plant, but is more flexible than a guy-line plant, inasmuch as the various supports in the line may be moved successively, rendering possible the covering of a very wide area from a single hoisting tower. A guy-line plant, on the contrary, requires under like circumstances that the whole line be dismantled and set up again in the new location.

Guy-line Plants.—In guy-line plants, the spout is suspended by blocks and falls from guy lines, or special cables suspended between towers, or other supports especially set up for the purpose. The advantage of this type of spouting plant lies in its ready adaptability. It is limited, however, in lateral movements unless its deficiencies are supplemented by take-offs at various points with small boom plants or supplementary guy-line plants.

Combinations of Spouting Systems.—Combinations of the above systems are used advantageously in one way and another in order to surmount special obstacles. Among such combinations may be mentioned a rehoisting tower which permits covering a wider area. In such a plant the concrete is distributed from mixer and first tower through chutes to a hopper at the base of the second tower, when it is again elevated and distributed throughout the work. A careful study is required in order to make spouting plants thoroughly effective; and this study should always be made before the job is started to make sure that the proper radius of delivery and best arrangement is secured.

Regulating Flow of Concrete in Spouting Plants.—It is quite essential for the proper operation of the spouting plant that concrete should be uniformly and continuously carried down the chutes. To this end a receiving hopper is placed at the head of the elevating tower, with a man in control of its gate. Upon this man then depends to a large extent the success of the operation. If he permits a proper amount of material to flow into the chutes, they can usually be relied upon to carry it freely providing they are disposed at proper inclination. If he sees the line becoming choked, upon his slackening or shutting off the delivery depends either a speedy clearing of the line with relatively continuous operation, or shutting down for an indefiite period.

WOOD WORKING EQUIPMENT

By Nathan C. Johnson

18. Power Saws.—Air, gasoline, or electric power saws will be found economical on any job where wood is employed to any great extent. Two types of saws are available—one, a simple rotary saw mounted in a small frame; and the other, a more complete unit suited to all usual wood-working requirements of field work.

A simple portable outfit consists of an electric motor, air, or gasoline engine together with a table or supporting base and the saw mandrel or arbor. The motive power is mounted on the base under the table and belt connected to the arbor. A rip or cross-cut saw of from 12 to 24 in. may be placed on the mandrel.

Table band saws may be employed where the material is not of large dimensions and where irregular shapes are

to be cut. Circular rip or cross-cut saws will be found more serviceable than band saws on jobs using large material in straight work.

19. Jointers.—Jointers will be found useful where many close fitting joints are required and may be obtained as a portable unit similar in general features to the table cross-cut saw.

20. Combination Machines.—Combination machines including all the above units may be obtained from a number of manufacturers, and have proven their worth. A typical machine carries the following equipment: 18-in. cross-cut and rip saws, boring attachment, 6-in. cylinderical jointers, 10-in. emery wheel, saw-table with adjustable gages for rip and cross-cut work, and a 6-hp. gasoline engine. This machine has ripping ability up to 6-in. lumber and weighs 2400 lb. The weight of such a machine is prohibitive of easy portability.

Other outfits may be obtained having different attachments, such as circular and band saws combined. A machine weighing 700 lb., which can be easily moved about by one or two men, is equipped with 10-in. cross-cut or rip saw, 4-in. jointer, boring machine, 6-in. emery wheel, jig-saw, 8-in. Dado head, and 4-hp. gasoline engine. The size of the table is 40 × 42 in.

Data on typical saw outfits of these heavy and light types are given below:

Size of wheels	36 in.	27 in.	20 in.
Size of table	28 × 32 in.	22 × 26 in.	22 × 18 in.
Distance from saw to frame	36 in.	27 in.	20 in.
Guide raises above table	14 in.	12 in.	9 in.
Length of blade	18 ft. 6 in.	14 ft.	10 ft. 5 in.
Size of tight and loose pulleys	12 × 4 in.	10 × 3½ in.	7 × 3 in.
Speed of pulleys, r.p.m	400–450	400–450	400–450
Shipping weight	1150	700	425

21. Electric and Air Driven Boring Machines.—Portable boring machines for wood working are most useful appliances and save much time and labor. These are fully described under "Steel Erection Equipment," the same machines accommodating both steel and wood-working drills and bits. In use, the machine is held against the work by the operator, as no positive high pressure is needed on the drill bit, as in boring steel. Such portable wood drills are very convenient in use and work rapidly.

HOISTS, DERRICKS, AND SCAFFOLDS

By Nathan C. Johnson

22. Hoists.—Hoists, whether actuated by hand or by power, are devices of the highest importance to all building operations. Their origin is unknown, but even the constructions of remotest antiquity seem to bear witness to their use; and early records show that ancient hoists contained all essentials characteristic of the present day refined mechanisms.

Hoists of today are classified according to the service for which they are used, as elevator or pile driver hoists, and also according to the number of drums employed, as one-drum or two-drum hoists. In addition, steam shovels, locomotive cranes, pile drivers, and other pieces of construction equipment are provided with auxiliary winding drums or niggerheads designed to serve as hoisting means for any purpose required; and these may or may not carry a classifying name, according to local usage, or may simply be termed "drums," "niggerheads," or "hoists."

22*a*. Power for Hoists.—Steam power is generally employed to actuate hoists and other parts of these heavier machines, such as shovels, cranes, and pile drivers, as a steam boiler and engine make a complete and very reliable unit. Usually also these boilers are supplied mounted integrally on the frame with the engine and drums to give counterbalancing weight, this being especially needed in cranes and pile drivers.

Electric motors find almost universal application on building elevators, both during and after construction, as they make a lighter unit, occupy less floor space, and dispense with the smoke and dirt of the steam unit.

Gasoline engines have been finding increasing favor in the last four years for driving one or two-drum hoists. They give a light, portable, independent unit capable of good service.

The drums may be either connected direct to the engine, or driven through chains or gears to lighten the driving unit through reduction of speed.

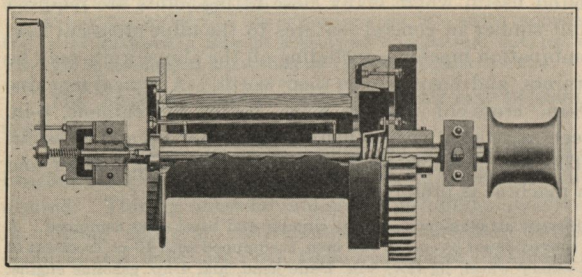


FIG. 53.—Section of drum, Clyde Iron Works, Duluth, Minn.

Small air driven single drum hoists are coming into extended use for handling loads up to 1000 lb. and often are a great advantage over hand hoists where compressed air is available, as it is in most modern construction operations. Such air hoists weigh about 300 lb., and have a drum capacity of 100 ft. of ¼-in. steel rope.

In practically all power hoists except niggerheads, and regardless of the type of power employed, the drum (Fig. 53) is a cast-iron spool fitted with a ratchet wheel at one side and a friction clutch at the other. The drum is carried loosely on a shaft to which is keyed the driving gear and the positive portion of the clutch. In operation, by means of a handle operating through a friction screw, pin, and cross key, the drum is pushed laterally till the two parts of the friction clutch are engaged. A spring placed between the drum and gear gives quick and positive release when the pressure on the friction screw is removed. A band brake, operating when the clutch is disengaged, provides means for lowering loads by gravity.

22*b*. Hand-operated Hoists.—Hand-operated hoists may be the block and fall, differential pulley, winch, or crab (Fig. 56). In the first two types mentioned, no drum is provided, the line being allowed to lie as it is hauled in or is coiled. With the crab and winch, a drum is provided which is driven through gears to obtain power and speed ratios suited to the loads and the number of lines on the blocks.

Hand-operated hoists are used in cramped quarters or where the load is light, though with the differential pulley or block, loads as great as 10 tons may be handled. Differential blocks may be suspended from any convenient point and are very adaptable and convenient. In these blocks, ropes are replaced by chains which grip positively on wheels which operate the hoist through a chain of gears.

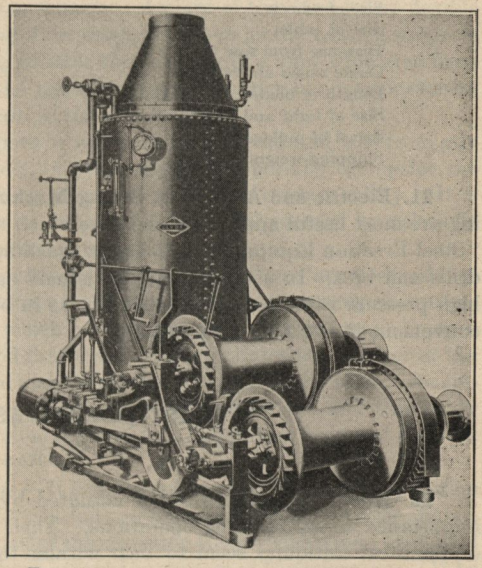


FIG. 54.—2 drum steam hoist, Clyde Iron Works, Duluth, Minn.

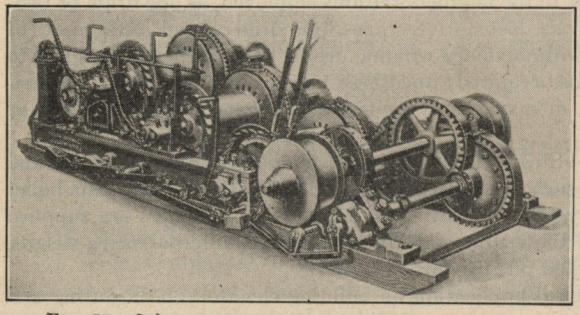


FIG. 55.—2 drum and swing gear electric hoist, Clyde Iron Works, Duluth, Minn.

23. Derricks.—Where means must be provided to bring materials either from below the ground or to carry them above, this need is conveniently supplied by a derrick. Two types of derricks are in use, their difference being in the means of supporting the mast and angle of swing of the boom.

A derrick proper consists of a mast, boom, bull wheel and means of supporting the mast. Where the mast is held in place by several ropes attached to a ring at the top, it is known as a *guy derrick* (Fig. 57); where two solid members placed at an angle with the horizontal are

used, it is a *stiff-leg derrick*. The mast, boom, and legs may be either a solid stick of timber or built up of latticed structural steel shapes. The bull wheel used in swinging the mast is generally built up of structural steel.

What is known as the *Chicago boom* (Fig. 58) is simply a boom mounted on the side of an adjoining building or to one of the columns of the structure itself. This does away with the space occupied by a free derrick and, in some situations, has its advantages, but is not to be generally recommended.

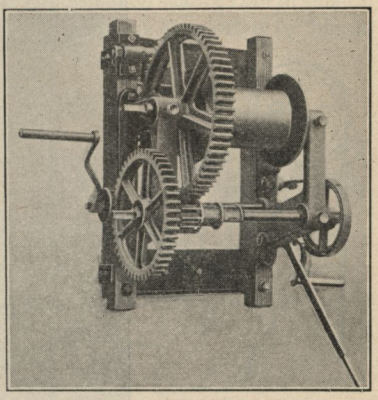


FIG. 56.—Hand crab, Clyde Iron Works, Duluth, Minn.

Other means of hoisting, though not called derricks, may be regarded under the same classification and are the *A-frame* and *gin pole*.

The height of mast, length of boom and legs of a derrick will depend on the nature of the work and space available. The main advantages of the guy over the stiff leg are: a full circle swing, less groundspace occupied, and ease of moving from one floor level to the next. In narrow lots, where short length guys would have to be used, the stiff leg generally is found more satisfactory. The boom of a guy derrick is a little shorter than the mast. In the stiff-leg derrick the boom is longer than the mast and the angle of swing limited to 270 deg. With the Chicago boom the swing is still further restricted to 180 deg.

The proportions of the members will vary with the nature of the work and the loads to be handled. A guy derrick to handle a 1½-yd. bucket of weight of about 6 tons would have a mast of 12 × 12-in. timber, not much over 50 ft.; and a boom of 10 × 10 in., not over 40 ft. Longer lengths may be obtained but should either be trussed, or of larger timber.

Two drums and a swinging gear, together with their driving means, comprise the usual power equipment for a derrick. The swinging gear may be on a separate frame but is generally mounted ahead of the drums and attached to the same skids.

The *A-frame derrick* is made of timber in the shape of an A, supported at the apex by guys. The block for the fall line is attached at the same point. It is slightly canted toward the load and is operated by a hand crab. These outfits are readily moved from place to place and are used in hoisting stone for sills, etc., and in places where it would be difficult to operate a power derrick.

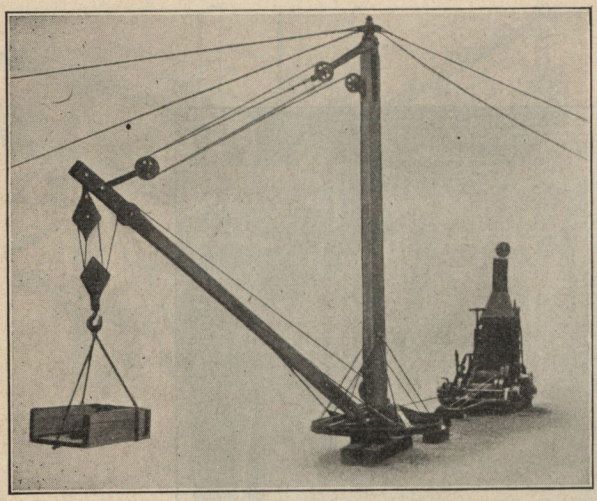


FIG. 57.—Standard guy derrick, Clyde Iron Works, Duluth, Minn.

A *gin pole* consists either of a stick of timber or of a built-up latticed mast guyed from the upper end by two or more ropes. The hoisting block and tackle is attached to the top, no boom being provided. The pole is used for erecting trusses, handling a steam hammer, and for other purposes where a straight lift is sufficient. The gin pole hoist may be operated either by hand or by power. If power is used, a single drum hoist is adequate.

24. Scaffolds.—In practically all stages of construction work, from foundations to paint, scaffolds are employed. Makeshift scaffolds have been used from earliest times, but of late years, as building operations have grown more complex, the design and construction of scaffolds have received more attention; and several special devices have been brought out with a view to increasing their range and security.

Scaffolds may either be swung from some point above the working level or built up to the required level from a firm base. Either type should comply with safety laws, not only for the security of men employed on the scaffold, but also for that of those who may be working below. Care should be taken to have the scaffold itself safe as a

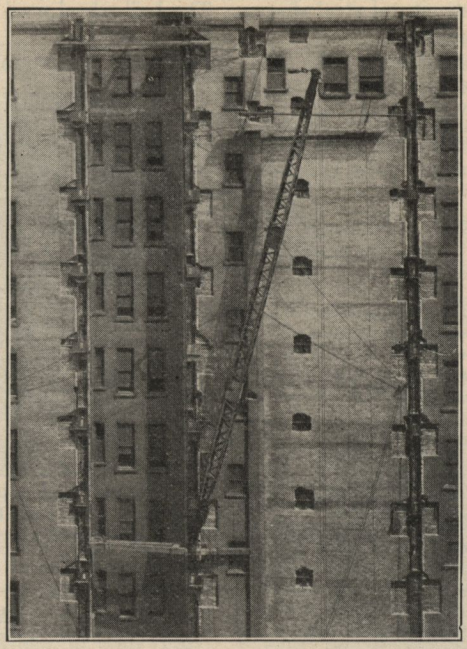


FIG. 58.—Chicago boom.

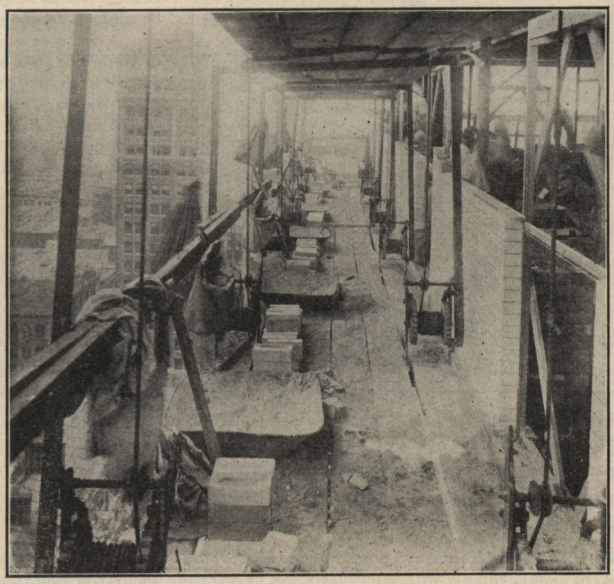


FIG. 59.—Hanging scaffold with double platform winches, Patent Scaffolding Co., N. Y.

structure. In addition, guard rails, strung about 4 ft. above the platform, should also be provided to prevent men from falling off. Foot boards, to prevent tools and materials from being knocked from the scaffold with probable injury of workers below, should be placed so that no openings exist between the platform and the foot boards. In all cases where work is in progress above the men on the scaffold, overhead protection should also be provided. Heavy canvas, properly supported, wire, netting, and a planked platform are the means used.

24*a*. Suspended Scaffolds.—Two main types of suspended scaffold are in general use. One is that commonly used by painters, consisting of a platform supported by blocks and falls hung from iron braces at the cornice, which braces are further held in position by ropes tied back to a chimney or other firm anchorage. Scaffold irons, made up of flat rolled stock placed at each end of the scaffold, support the platform and also have arms to hold a guard rail.

In this device, platform may be raised and lowered from the scaffold through blocks and falls, the free end of the line being tied around the block hook to hold the scaffold in position. With these scaffolds, actuated by the man on the platform, there is some danger of the scaffold falling by having the rope run through the operator's hand too rapidly, or from the breaking of a worn out rope; and such accidents should be guarded against by careful operation and frequent inspections.

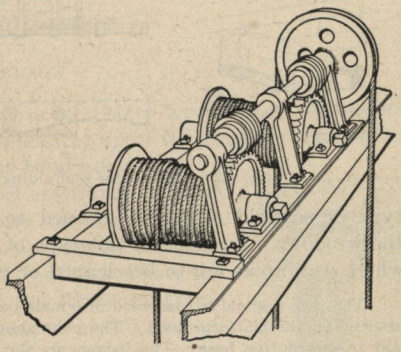


FIG. 60.—Overhead machine for platform scaffold.

A better type of scaffold, found in most large building work where the loads are heavy and the time of use is considerable, consists of steel channel thrust-outs, steel ropes, drums, and built-up scaffold irons (Fig. 59). Small drums, either mounted on the thrust-outs and operated through worm wheels and ratchets, are provided for changing the height (Fig. 60). Of the two, the platform hoist is in general the better, as the control is visible to the operator, so that such dangers as incomplete locking of pawls, rope over-riding the side of the drum, etc., are minimized; and inspection is much simpler, easy, and more likely to be thorough. These hoisting means, of course, occupy space on the scaffold, whereas, with the overhead drum, all the space may be given over to the workmen, materials, and tools.

With the use of either of the above, small adjustments in height may be readily had. The scaffold irons for painters' scaffolds are placed about 20 ft. apart, while for heavy work, where drums are used, spacing is 10 to 12 ft., and drums are provided at the inside and outside of the scaffold.

Another type of suspended scaffold which does not permit of small adjustment in height is composed of ropes or steel strips to which the putlogs are either lashed or bolted. Due to the difficulty of moving from one height to another and also the attendant danger on this operation, scaffolds of this type are not much used.

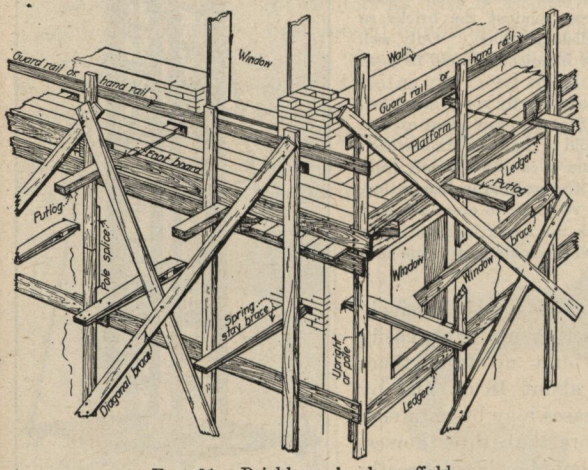


FIG. 61.—Bricklayers' pole scaffold.

24*b*. Fixed Scaffolds.—Fixed scaffolds may be divided into two main types—"pole" and "outrigger;" and in buildings up to about 5 stories are the ones generally used. They may be constructed either outside or inside the building as the nature of the work demands.

Pole scaffolds are so called because they are built up of poles, or scantlings from a firm base, generally the ground (Fig. 61). Under this classification would come the large scaffolds used in erecting walls, etc., and the smaller types, as horse and ladder scaffolds, where the working platform is raised but a short distance, as in painting and plastering ceilings and the like.

Scaffolds built up for wall work should be carefully designed for all loads and stoutly braced to prevent any tendency to collapse under side loads, such as wind, etc., and should be held to the building in some manner. Only good seasoned lumber should be employed and fastenings should be secure.

Two types of pole scaffolds are found, one where the poles are run up as units, ledgers and putlogs being placed as the working platform is raised; and the other where two poles are connected together by strips nailed securely and at right angles to them. These strips are placed at distances corresponding to the required lifts; and with the poles form rough ladders. Ledgers are run between the strips and the ladders are braced. This type of scaffold must be fastened to the building, which is generally done by bracing from the windows. In general, this type of scaffold is not used in heavy work but rather in cases where wall areas are to be cleaned or painted.

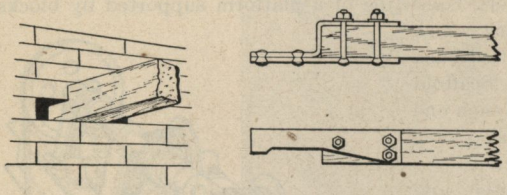


FIG. 62.—Putlogs for scaffolding.

The pole scaffold is composed of 6 main parts: the uprights or poles, ledgers, putlogs (Fig. 62), braces, spring braces, and the platform itself. The poles should rest on good firm ground and, if necessary, planks should be laid to afford this base. The ledgers are the members which extend from pole to pole and support the other end of the putlogs. While the ledgers do to a certain extent brace the structure, they will not prevent it from collapsing as a unit. Diagonal bracing should therefore be adequate; and in high scaffolds where the weight to be supported is large, should be carefully placed and nailed. Putlogs support the platform and rest on the ledgers and the finished wall. Three types of putlogs are shown, one all wood, the other two having one end built up of iron. Spring braces are used to hold the scaffold to the face of the wall and consist of two boards inserted in the putlog hole, with a brick placed between. The outer ends are then nailed to the ledger causing the inner ends to spread and press against the bricks so forcibly that quite an effort is required to dislodge them. Only well seasoned lumber free from knots and other blemishes should be used for spring braces.

Pole scaffolds may be either lashed together by ropes or nailed. The former type is not found in the United States to any great extent. The principal advantage of the lashed scaffold is that the lumber used is serviceable for a longer time, as less damage is caused not only from driving nails but also from splitting when the scaffold is dismantled. The disadvantage is that 2 or 3 men are required to erect a lashed scaffold, and more time is necessary. With the larger increase in the cost of lumber, it is quite possible that lashed scaffolds may come into general use again.

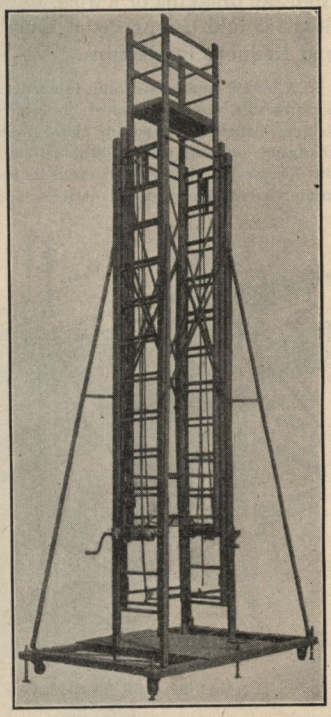


FIG. 63.—Adjustable interior scaffold Chesebrough Whitman Co., N. Y.

Horse Scaffolds.—The mason's horse is used extensively in the construction of buildings, as they are light, easily portable, and scaffolding may be built up from them quickly. The height of a horse is about 48 in. and by placing one on top of the other, increases may be obtained. Tiers should not be built up of more than three horses. When tiers are built up, the horses should be placed directly above one another as this gives the greatest amount of stability and the best distribution of stress. Horse scaffolds may be built up from the ground, floor, or outriggers. Horse scaffolds are not suitable for heavy loads nor the storage of any amount of material. Probably more carelessness is found in erecting horse scaffolds than in other types, as they are so easily employed. Fortunately, their use is restricted to small heights so that minor accidents only are the result.

Outrigger Scaffolds.—Outrigger scaffolds are so called because the platform is supported

by beams fastened to the floor or frame work of the building. This type is used where repairs are to be made at some such point above ground level that it would not be economical to build up from the ground, and suspended scaffolds could not be used. A good example of this is in the repair of a church steeple or tower of a building.

STEEL ERECTION EQUIPMENT

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Tools and appliances required for the erection of structural steel depend upon the method of erection used; upon the type and size of the structure; upon the freedom with which operations can be carried on; and upon local usages and conditions.

First and perhaps foremost in all structural steel erection appliances comes the use of hoisting means whereby the members may be placed in position ready for field bolting and riveting. These means consist of blocks and falls, crabs, winches, derricks, locomotive cranes and travellers, the latter temporarily erected either within or without the structural frame itself. All of these have been treated in previous chapters of this section.

In the bolting, cutting, chipping, and riveting of the various members, a variety of both ordinary and special tools are employed. Ordinary hand tools, such as hammers, chisels, punches, wrenches, tongs, etc., or small hand forges for heating rivets need no special mention but if data on them are desired the handbook of the American Bridge Company will furnish this in abundance. Some of the automatic tools driven by compressed air or by electricity will be described as they come in a special and highly useful class.

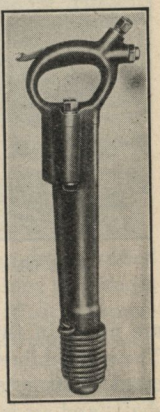


Fig. 64.—Air riveter.

25. Air Riveters.—Air riveters as used in structural steel erection are made in many forms to meet special requirements. They comprise a shell containing the working parts, the piston or striking member, the valves and a removable steel set for forming the head of the rivet. These air hammers (Fig. 64) are light in weight and portable.

The air supply is controlled through a throttle valve which consists of a piston and poppet in combination, acutated by a trigger attachment on the handle. Several types of handles (Figs. 65 and 66) are supplied to meet various conditions, their design not changing the

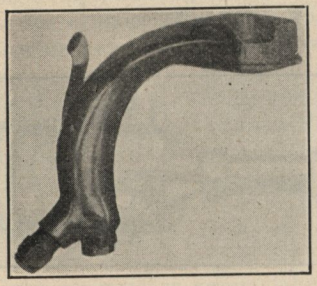


Fig. 65.—Open type handle for "Little David" riveter.

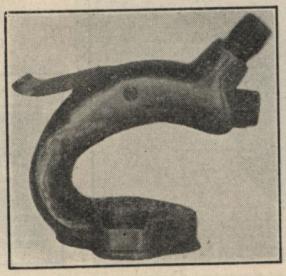


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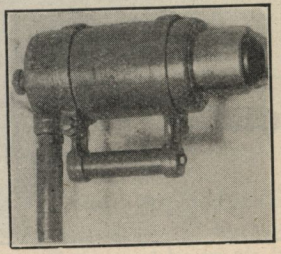


Fig. 67.—Air dolly.

operation in any way. By this arrangement the strength of blow may be governed by the operator from a light tap to the full impact. The striking piston is operated through a cylindrical valve guide placed either in the same line or at one side of, but parallel to the piston.

26. Air and Hand Dollys.—A dolly is in effect an anvil held against the rivet head. It may be either a long bar held in position by hand or may be a separate pneumatic machine

(Fig. 67). The latter type will give better results, as it keeps the head of the rivet in contact and avoids the jumping so common when a hand dolly is used, but the hand dolly is more convenient for general field use.

27. Air Rivet Sets.—A *rivet set* is a small die of tool steel fitted into the end of the riveter and held in position by spring fingers or a coiled spring. The rivet set is detachable so that change from one size or style of head to another is quickly accomplished.



FIG. 68.—"Little David" riveter and holder-on at work, Ingersoll-Rand Co., N. Y.

28. Air Chipping Tools.—*Chipping tools* are chisels formed to socket in the air hammer barrel. They can be obtained in a great variety of shapes suited to any desired purpose. Chipping with air hammers is highly efficient as the rapidity of blows approximates continuous cutting, with consequent facility in holding the tool to the work.

29. Air Drills.—Air drills for drilling either wood or steel are made in two types. The type as shown in Fig. 69 is the one most commonly found. These machines may also be used for reaming, tapping, etc. Air drills are driven from a crank shaft actuated by pistons. The valve action is controlled by gearing from the crank shaft; and air is admitted from the supply line by turning a sleeve on the handle.

30. Electric Drills.—Portable electric drills though somewhat heavier and for a given weight less powerful than air drills, give excellent results for drill sizes up to 2-in. diameter. In these, a motor through gearing drives a shaft having a hollow taper to which is fitted the

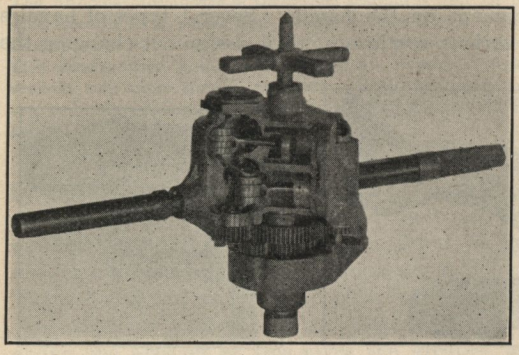


FIG. 69.—Sectional view of air drill.

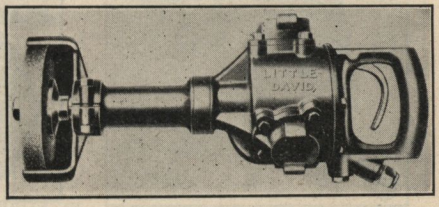


FIG. 70.—"Little David" air grinder, Ingersoll-Rand Co., N. Y.

drill itself or a chuck holding the drill. Electric drills are made for use with either direct or alternating current, and at frequencies and voltages commonly found. The weight of a drill for a 2-in. diameter hole in steel is about 88 lb.

A feed screw with hand wheel is provided at the upper end and in line with the spindle on both the air and electric drills. Means of holding a drill to the work is provided by an "old man," which consists of a flat strap in

"S" or "U." form with sharp bends, which may be clamped or bolted to the work, with or without an adjustable arm to bear against the drill. This flat strap is so adjusted that the drill is over the desired position, when pressure may be exerted on the drill lip by tightening the feed screw.

31. Air and Electric Grinders.—Air grinders (Fig. 70) and electric grinders differ from air or electric drills only in the cutting tool used, which is an abrasive wheel instead of a drill. Electric grinders have an advantage over air grinders in that the speed obtainable is higher, which makes for rapid cutting. In use, the tool is held by the operator and the cutting wheel brought against the work in much the same manner that work is held by an operator and brought against a cutting wheel in the usual stationary shop mounting.

32. Cutting Wheels.—Cutting wheels should be of a grain, hardness, and material suited to the material to be cut. For structural steel, a medium grain, rather hard wheel should be used. For harder steels, a softer wheel of like grain is preferable. Carborundum, alundum, crystolon and like abrasive materials cut faster and better tham emery, or like materials. Micro examination of cuttings shows that the materials first named cut shavings from the steel, while the latter produce globules of molten metal, with proportionate speeds of cutting, endurance of wheels, and requirements for power.

MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT

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33. Air Compressors.—The uses of compressed air in building construction are so varied and cover such a prolonged period extending from placing foundations, as in sinking pneumatic caissons, through steel erection and even to finish painting that the selection of air compressors and the installation of the air distributing system should be planned most carefully.

As the art of producing and using compressed air is highly developed, a wide choice of compressor equipment is available. Compressors may be driven either by electric motors, steam or gasoline engines, and through belts, gears, or chains as desired and may be obtained to work at any required pressure. Compressors of the smaller sizes are built single stage, all compression taking place in one cylinder (Fig. 71). The larger sizes are two or three stage, having two or three cylinders, each of which raises the pressure a certain part of the final value. Compressors of from 100 to 300 cu. ft. free air capacity per minute may be mounted for easy portability but solid foundations are preferable for larger sizes and can generally be made available in modern building construction. To equalize the load on a compressor, as well as to have a constant pressure supply, receivers or storage tanks are used as accumulators in connection with compressors. These must be ample in size and suited to the anticipated demand.

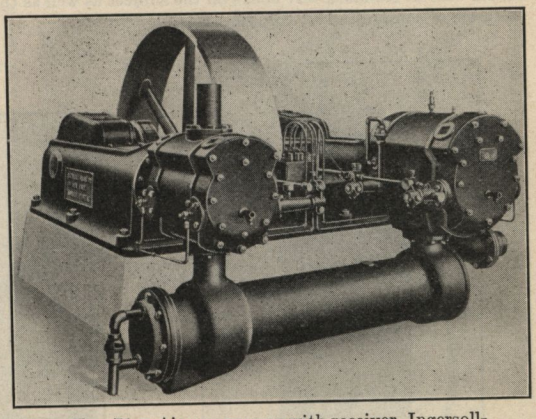


Fig. 71.—Air compressor with receiver, Ingersoll-Rand Co., N. Y.

Two-stage compressors have been found to give best results when the delivery required of the machine is large. In these, the air is compressed a small amount in the first, or low pressure cylinder, then passes to an intercooler, where, while being held at low pressure, some of the heat due to compression is removed. From the intercooler the air passes to a second cylinder where it is compressed to a higher value and then passed to the receiver.

As air is compressed, its temperature rises causing it to expand a certain amount and exerting a back pressure on the piston. This reduces the efficiency of the machine and is overcome in part by multiple stage compressors and intercooling. Further cooling occurs in the receiver and pipe lines; and as the temperature decreases, the

pressure of the air will also drop. This is loss of energy and the work done by the compressor to balance this loss is likewise lost energy. Such losses, together with friction losses, may amount to 10% or more.

The capacity of a compressor is therefore based on the number of cubic feet of "free air" it will compress per minute to a certain pressure. By "free air" is meant air as found at a pressure of one atmosphere at 60 deg F. From this definition it may readily be seen that the capacity of the same machine will vary according as pressure and temperature conditions are varied.

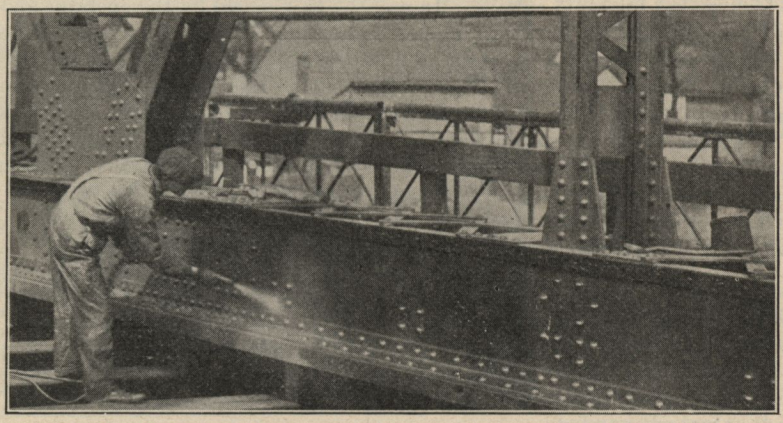


FIG. 72.—Painting with compressed air, Spray Engineering Co., Boston, Mass.

Data in large volume relative to the size, types, and performance of air compressors, together with data relative to proper size and arrangement of transmission lines have been published. Compressed air engineering is a large art in itself; and comprehensive data are beyond the space limitations of this handbook. Those interested should consult standard text books on the subject as well as the many excellent trade catalogues issued by manufacturers of compressed air equipment.

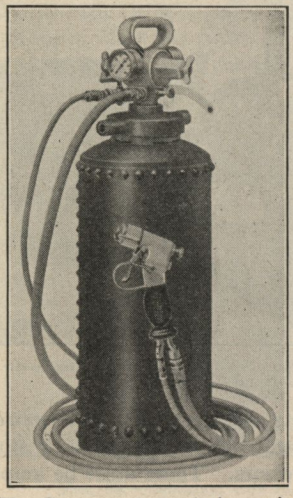


FIG. 73.—Compressed air painting equipment, Spray Engineering Co., Boston, Mass.



FIG. 74.—Rotary concrete surfacer being used. Note contrast between finished and unfinished surface.

34. Air Painting Equipment.—Painting by compressed air (Fig. 72) has recently come into quite general use; and is among the newer applications of compressed air to building construction. In this work, air under pressure is fed through a rubber hose, to a metal paint container fitted with a control head (Fig. 73). Air pressure as admitted at the top of the container, forces the paint through a strainer up to the control head and then through a

rubber hose to the "gun." Some of the air entering the control head also is fed direct to the gun. The complete apparatus outside of the compressor therefore consists of the metal container, the gun, and the necessary connecting rubber hose to reach the work.

34a. Metal Container.—The metal container is a tank of 3 to 15-gal. capacity, equipped with the control head which has the necessary valves for adjusting the pressure on the paint and of the air supplied to the gun; a strainer to prevent paint skin, etc., from clogging the line to the gun; and a pressure gage. Containers of the smaller sizes are of riveted steel construction; those of the larger size are of welded construction and have large neck openings to permit of easy cleaning.

34b. Guns.—The gun or painting nozzle is shaped like an ordinary pistol, using the trigger to control the supply of paint and air. Its handle carries connections for the air and paint lines. The end of the gun barrel is fitted with a cap and two nose pieces through which is forced the paint and air respectively. Adjustment of the amount of paint is obtained by screwing the cap on or off; and the air supply is regulated by a needle valve under the nose pieces. By proper adjustment of these two, either a conical or fish-tail spray may be obtained. Where desired, the gun may be mounted on a long pole enabling an operator to paint in places where ladders or scaffolding would otherwise be required.

The main advantages claimed over brush painting are: (1) that with pneumatic painting more surface can be covered in less time and with fewer men; (2) that by means of the pole, places otherwise inaccessible can be reached without the aid of ladders or scaffolds; and (3) that by the use of the different caps and nose pieces, light or heavy paints may be used and the type of spray varied. The gun also may be operated at a distance from the container and is not dependent for its effectiveness upon the position of the latter.

The smaller size containers should be used where frequent moving is occasioned as the larger sizes require more than one man to move them. The weight of a 5-gal. unit is about 50 lb. and that of the larger sizes greater in proportion.

35. Surfacing Machines.—Special machines for finishing the surface of concrete, either in floors or walls, and to remove form marks, may be operated either by air or electricity. Surfaces may also be treated by rubbing by hand with carborundrum; washing with a dilute acid; or brushing with a stiff wire brush. Each of these methods has its place but better and cheaper results can be obtained with a mechanical device.

Air surfaces are machines which are similar to air hammers but strike a much lighter blow. A variety of tools arranged to socket in the device are used for different surface effects. Where it is desired to have a pebbled surface, air surfacers will be found particularly effective, but any desired surface effect can be obtained by a skillful operator and a careful choice of cutting tool.

Electric surfacers (Fig. 74) consist of a motor and a tool using different types of teeth or grinding disks which revolve at high speed and chip or grind the surface to a finish. In one type, the motor is suspended from the operator's shoulders and connected to the tool through a flexible shaft. The weight of the motor for this apparatus is about 30 lb. and that of the tool 10 lb. This machine may be used for simply removing fins and projections, or for obtaining a flat or bush-hammered effect. About 20 sq. ft. of flat finish can be obtained in an hour; and its use is said to reduce the costs over hand methods from 50 to 65%.

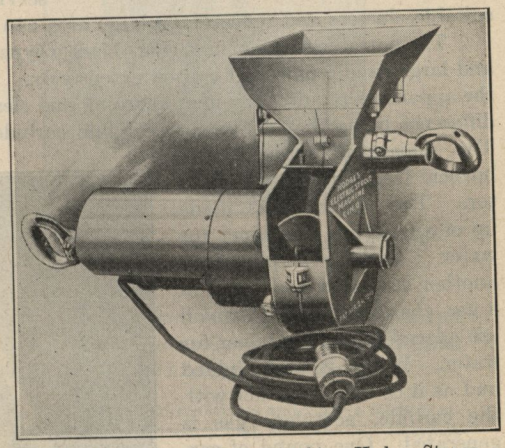


FIG. 75.—Electric stucco machine, Hodges Stucco Machine Works, Cincinnati, Ohio.

36. Stucco and Plastering Machines.—Special machines for applying stucco and plaster have been brought out. It is claimed by the makers that these machines will give a better and more lasting result than will hand methods and that they will reduce costs materially.

Two types are to be had—one which impels the material mechanically against the wire or lath; and the other which places the material by compressed air.

The first type of machine (Fig. 75) consists of a small hopper mounted above a flat bladed propeller driven by an electric motor. The machine weighs about 30 lb. and is fastened to the operator by straps and a coiled

spring to give flexibility, so that the discharge may be directed to any desired place. The stucco material, previously mixed, is fed into the hopper and as it passes through is shot out by the impeller blades through a discharge opening and against the work. From 300 to 400 sq. ft. of surface per hour can be covered to a thickness of $\frac{3}{8}$ in. with such a machine; and due to the high velocity of impact, is said to give a much better surface than where hand methods are employed.

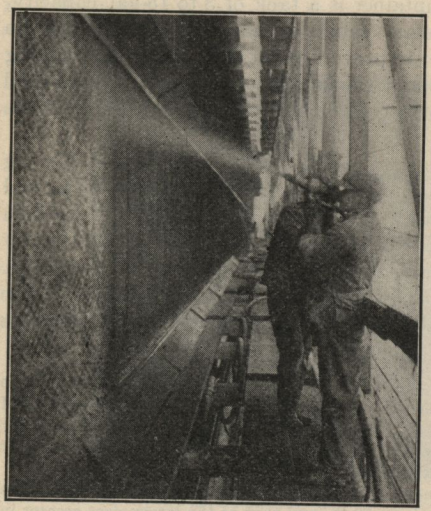


FIG. 76.—Applying "Gunite" with the cement gun. Container feeding dry sand and cement through flexible hose to nozzle is on ground below scaffolding. Cement Gun Co., Allentown, Pa.

The compressed air type, known as the "Cement Gun" (Fig. 76), consists of a drum in which the dry materials are placed after premixing. Air pressure is then applied above, the feed being regulated by a rotating feed wheel within the casing actuated by an air motor and then forced through a hose to the point of application where it is commingled with a fine spray of water delivered through a parallel hose line outside of the casing. While this machine is portable to a certain extent, it is not so much so as the first type due to the necessary auxiliary equipment and it also operates on a different principle. A compressor is necessary with this machine to supply the air to the mixer. The material produced by this device is specified as "Gunite" and has the merit of being very hard and dense.

37. Lighting Equipment for Construction Work.—Very often work must be carried on at night, and when such is the case, it becomes necessary to employ artificial light. This may be supplied by electricity, gas, or oil.

Electric light is generally used unless current is not readily available. Where such is the case, gas or oil lights may be substituted. Electric lights will be found to be the most serviceable as they require no attention and with suitable clusters and reflectors, a large area can be evenly lighted from one place.

The portable carbide light (Fig. 77) is a type of acetylene gas light. Owing to its lightness and large candle power, it is used extensively. The light, however, is a concentrated one and the apparatus requires frequent charging and cleaning. Two types may be obtained, the main difference being that one utilizes calcium carbide in cake form and the other a lump carbide. The apparatus consists of a burner, feed pipe, and generator. The generator is made up of an outside container for water. Carbide is placed in another container and fitted in a gas chamber, both of which are placed in the container for water. Water is then added and as it comes in contact with the carbide, acetylene gas is generated. One pound of carbide will yield about $4\frac{3}{4}$ cu. ft. of gas.



FIG. 77.—Carbide lights in use on construction at night, The Alexander Milburn Co., Baltimore, Md.

Units are made in various sizes to meet different requirements. A type commonly found is rated at 8000 candle power; weighs, exclusive of the water and carbide, 60 lb; has a burning capacity of 12 hr., and costs from 3 to 5ct. an hr. to operate. Small hand units (Fig. 78) may also be obtained for inspection purposes.

Kerosene or gasoline may be used to supply lights for night work and produces a strong fairly white light. The apparatus consists of a special burner and a tank for containing the oil under pressure. Metal tanks of from

10 to 20-gal. capacity are made, and are equipped with a gage and hand pump. The burner consists of a perforated tube nozzle fitted at one end of the tube and connected through a needle valve to the lead pipe of the tank with a shallow tray placed beneath. To use the light, it is necessary to first heat the tube to vaporize the spray. This is accomplished by collecting a small quantity of the fuel on the tray and igniting it. Initial heating only is required as the heat from the light itself is sufficient to heat the tube after once placed in operation. This type of light is cleaner than the carbide light as there is no residue left in the tank, but, as such lights are more expensive to operate, they are not used to as great extent as the carbide lights.

38. Oxy-gas Cutting and Welding Equipment.—Not only in wrecking but also wherever steel or iron in any shape has to be cut on the job, an oxy-acetylene or oxy-hydrogen blowpipe or torch is found to be an economical tool. The apparatus in general consists of a blow-pipe or torch, feed piping lines leading from supply to torch, and a generating unit (Fig. 79). The

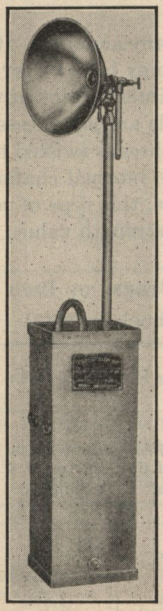


FIG. 78.—Carbide light, The Alexander Milburn Co., Baltimore, Md.

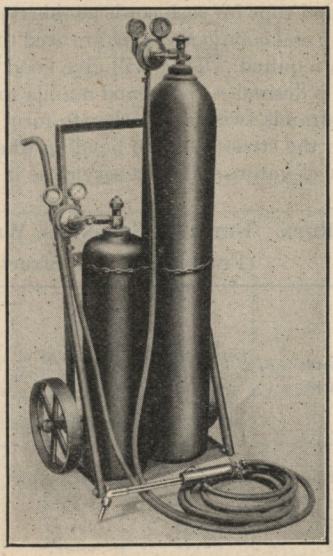


FIG. 79.—Portable acetylene gas cutting plant, The Alexander Milburn Co., Baltimore, Md.

generating unit, as usually composed, is a tank containing liquified or compressed oxygen, and an acetylene generator or tank where the oxy-acetylene process is used, or tanks of compressed oxygen and hydrogen for the oxy-hydrogen process, together with attached regulating valves.

Oxygen, hydrogen, and acetylene gas, under pressure, are shipped in metal containers and make a fairly portable unit. Due to the fact that acetylene is easily obtainable and gives an extremely high heat, the oxy-acetylene process is the one most used. Especially is this true when welding is to be considered as the electric arc is the only other flame which gives a higher temperature.

The actual cutting by burning or melting the metal is done by an oxygen flame but before this can be undertaken, the material must be preheated, which heating is accomplished by incandescent carbon in the oxy-acetylene flame. The exact procedures followed in cutting vary with the different types of torch, or the gases used, and are determined in large measure by the character of flame produced by the torch tip. Different sizes and types of tips are supplied, each to be used for a specific purpose.

In places where portability is not of much importance, stationary acetylene generators similar to those used for carbide lights may be used. The cost of these generators and their operation is slightly less than when the gas is bought in cylinders, but they require considerable care and attention.

39. Pipe and Bar Threading Machines.—Threading machines both for pipes and bars should be supplied on all jobs of importance. The smaller hand dies and taps form a usual and necessary part of the fitting equipment on smaller work.

Pipe threading machines are supplied in a number of sizes and have a wide range of capacity. These machines are driven by belts from gasoline engines, or direct connection, or by belt from an electric motor. They may be obtained using either a solid die up to about 2-in. size of pipe, or with separate jaws of 2 or 4 pieces for larger sizes of pipe. Some of these machines are equipped with a patent release which will open the jaws or reverse the machine when the desired length of thread has been cut. As pipe threads are cut to a taper to insure tight joints, it is unnecessary to cut the thread much over the length of the die.

Bar threading machines are similar to those used for pipe threading, the difference being in the size and shape of the teeth of the die. Bar dies also are cut without taper threads. Bolts and bars up to about 4 in. can be threaded in these machines and either right or left-hand threads cut. On bars above 4 in. in diameter and where special threads are required, the cutting is done in a lathe.

40. Cotton, Manila, and Wire Rope.—Two kinds of rope are used in building construction, —one made from hemp, cotton, or manila fiber, and the other of wire. The latter is the kind most employed as it will withstand harder usage, handle larger loads, and has a longer life than the others.

Cotton rope is not much used as it is not suitable for loads of any amount. Its principal use is in braided rope for sash cords as this rope is very flexible and may be run over small sheaves.

Hemp and manila fiber rope are used to a large extent where intermittent service and portability are required. They will give good service where the loads are not excessive and where lightness is desired. Hemp and manila rope are made up from threads twisted to form strands and the strands twisted together to form the rope. Due to the internal chafing between the fibers and the stresses due to bending when passing over sheaves, this type of rope should not be used in elevators and hoist service as it rapidly depreciates in strength value.

MANILA ROPE. ULTIMATE STRENGTH, WEIGHT AND WORKING STRESS OF BEST MANILA ROPE
(From Ketchum's Structural Engineers' Handbook, p. 443)

Diameter (inches)	Circumference of rope (inches)	Weight of 100 ft. rope (pounds)	Ultimate strength (pounds)	Working load for derricks		Minimum size of drum or sheave (inches)
				Used rope, factor of 6 (pounds)	New rope, factor of 3 (pounds)	
½	1.57	7	1,800	300	600	.....
¾	2.37	17	4,000	670	1,340	.....
⅞	2.75	24	5,400	900	1,800	.....
1	3.14	28	7,200	1,200	2,400	8
1¼	3.93	46	11,200	1,870	3,740	10
1½	4.71	64	16,000	2,670	5,340	12
1¾	5.50	84	21,600	3,600	7,200	14
2	6.28	115	28,500	4,750	9,500	16
2½	7.86	175	45,000	7,500	15,000	.....
3	9.42	252	64,200	10,700	21,400	.....

Wire rope is made up of a number of small wires composing a strand and several strands twisted or braided to form a rope. The material used for the wires may be wrought iron, cast steel, or plough steel, each being suited to special needs. Wire rope is used for hoisting and elevator service as its depreciation from the action of bending over sheaves and on drums is less than is the case with manila or hemp ropes. The strength of wire rope is about 4 times that of manila rope and the weight per foot 8 times.

Wire rope is made for various other services, such as transmission, and also in round and flat or ribbon form. The chier advantage of the latter type is that in the larger sizes it is more flexible and can be run over smaller sheaves.

Wire rope made of 18 strands, the 6 inner ones being laid in the reverse direction to the 12 outer ones, forms a non-twisting rope and one that is very efficient where long lengths are to be used, as in hoisting materials several stories with a derrick.

CRUCIBLE STEEL HOISTING ROPE. WEIGHT, ULTIMATE STRENGTH, AND WORKING LOADS OF WIRE ROPE COMPOSED OF 6 STRANDS AND A HEMP CENTER, 19 WIRES TO THE STRAND

(From Ketchum's Structural Engineers' Handbook, p. 444)

Diameter (inches)	Approximate circumference (inches)	Weight per ft. (pounds)	Approximate breaking stress (pounds)	Safe working stress for derricks, factor of 4 (pounds)	Minimum size of drum or sheave	
					Derricks (inches)	Rapid hoisting (inches)
3/8	1 1/8	0.22	10,000	2,500	6	12
7/16	1 1/4	0.30	13,600	3,400	7 1/2	15
1/2	1 1/2	0.39	17,600	4,400	9	18
9/16	1 3/4	0.50	22,000	5,500	10	21
5/8	2	0.62	27,200	6,800	12	27
3/4	2 1/4	0.89	38,800	9,700	14	36
7/8	2 3/4	1.20	52,000	13,000	18	42
1	3	1.58	68,000	17,000	20	48
1 1/8	3 1/2	2.00	84,000	21,000	22	54
1 1/4	4	2.45	100,000	25,000	24	60
1 3/8	4 1/4	3.00	124,000	31,000	27	66
1 1/2	4 3/4	3.55	144,000	36,000	30	69

PLOUGH STEEL HOISTING ROPE. WEIGHT, ULTIMATE STRENGTH, AND WORKING LOADS OF WIRE ROPE COMPOSED OF 6 STRANDS AND A HEMP CENTER, 19 WIRES TO THE STRAND

(From Ketchum's Structural Engineers' Handbook, p. 446)

Diameter (inches)	Approximate circumference (inches)	Weight per ft. (pounds)	Approximate breaking stress (pounds)	Safe working stress for derricks, factor of 4 (pounds)	Minimum size of drum or sheave	
					Derricks (inches)	Rapid hoisting (inches)
3/8	1 1/8	0.22	11,500	2,870	9	18
7/16	1 1/4	0.30	16,000	4,000	10 1/2	21
1/2	1 1/2	0.39	20,000	5,000	12	24
9/16	1 3/4	0.50	24,600	6,150	14	27
5/8	2	0.62	31,000	7,750	14	33
3/4	2 1/4	0.89	46,000	11,500	16	39
7/8	2 3/4	1.20	58,000	14,500	18	48
1	3	1.58	76,000	19,000	20	54
1 1/8	3 1/2	2.00	94,000	23,500	24	60
1 1/4	4	2.45	116,000	29,000	28	72
1 3/8	4 1/4	3.00	144,000	36,000	32	81
1 1/2	4 3/4	3.55	164,000	41,000	36	84

41. Chains and Chain Tackle.—Essential items of hoisting and erecting equipment are tackle chains. In Fig. 80 are shown three standard types (taken from Ketchum's "Structural Engineers' Handbook," p. 451) and in the accompanying table are given data on the strength of chains (furnished by the American Bridge Co.).

comparatively easy to split. On the other hand, the pith rays tend to hold the vertical wood elements together and thus lessen the tendency to split.

When the annual rings are wide, the timber is said to be "coarse-grained;" and conversely, when these rings are narrow, the timber is said to be "fine-grained." Normally, the fibers and tracheids are parallel to the axis of the trunk or limb of the tree. Such a condition gives "straight-grained" timber. In many cases, the fibers may be twisted or they may run in a spiral direction giving the condition termed "cross-grained" timber.

The junction of the limb and stem (or trunk) forms the knots found in all structural timber. "Dead" or "loose" knots are formed by the stubs of broken or decayed limbs, the growth of the tree eventually covering these stubs.

2. Effect of Composition on Mechanical Properties of Timbers.[1]—The chemical composition of wood consists mainly of cellulose and other materials designated as lignin. There are also present certain other substances, as water and resin.

The weight of wood depends: (1) on the amount of wood substance in the cell walls, and (2) on the amount of water contained in the wood. In green wood the second factor is of the greater importance. The water is contained in the substance of living cells, saturates the walls of all cells, and more or less fills the cavities of all lifeless cells, fibers, and vessels. Sapwood contains the most water.

The rate at which the water evaporates from timber depends upon the structure of the wood, and also upon the size and shape of the stick. High temperatures accelerate the drying of timber, even in humid atmosphere. When timber dries, the cell walls of the wood-elements shrink. The wood-elements decrease in cross section, but remain approximately of the same length. This phenomenon explains the shrinkage in cross section of any piece of unseasoned or green timber, and the approximate absence of shrinkage lengthwise. Since the wood cells in the same tree vary in thickness, unequal shrinkage takes place, resulting in strains which tend to split and warp the timber. Again, the ends of a stick of green timber dry faster than the interior portions, producing cracks in the ends of such timbers. Such tendency to crack is known as "checking." It is customary in lumber yards to nail strips of wood across the ends of wide planks or boards, in order to prevent the ends from checking. The same tendency to check exists in the sides of timbers, due to the exposed surfaces drying faster than the interior.

The shrinkage of the pith rays is one of the causes of the longitudinal shrinkage of timber, and the greater the number of pith rays, the greater the longitudinal shrinkage.

A log shrinks tangentially to the annual rings much more than radially, since in a tangential direction the cells of the summer wood which are subject to greater shrinkage than the spring wood, are continuous across the width of board, but are interrupted in a radial direction by the rings of the spring wood. This tangential shrinkage leads to permanent checks. The difference in shrinkage, as measured tangentially and radially to the annual rings, explains the different behavior of lumber cut tangentially, radially, quartered, etc.

The following table gives the approximate shrinkage in width of timber, drying in open air:

APPROXIMATE LATERAL SHRINKAGE OF TIMBER DRYING IN OPEN AIR

	Percentage of width
(1) All light conifers (soft pine, spruce, cedar, cypress)	3
(2) Heavy conifers (hard pine, tamarack, yew), honey-locust, box elder, wood of old oaks.	4
(3) Ash, elm, walnut, poplar, maple, beech, sycamore, cherry, black locust	5
(4) Basswood, birch, chestnut, horse chestnut, blue beech, young locust	6
(5) Hickory, young oak, particularly red oak	Up to 10

Shrinkage of timber is a very troublesome factor to deal with in the design and construction of details. Fully seasoned timber, unless kiln-dried lumber is purchased, is almost impossible to obtain, and consequently some shrinkage is almost certain to occur. This shrinkage will cause joints to open, washers under bolts and nut heads to become loose, settlement of floors, etc. It is exceedingly important to recognize the probability of shrinkage and to design details that will be as free as possible from the effects of such shrinkage.

Season checks are always unsightly but in interior work they are not generally serious from a structural standpoint except in the case of beams and girders where the unit longitudinal shearing stress is high. In such a case, season checks near the ends of the beam reduce the effective area to resist longitudinal shear. In construction exposed to the weather, season checks permit moisture to collect resulting in decay of the timber.

3. Effect of Seasoning on Strength of Timber.—The general effect of seasoning timber, if such seasoning is properly done, is to increase the strength of the timber. This statement applies especially to the strength of the timber in bearing across the grain.

Forest Service Bulletin No. 88 gives the results of bending tests on green and air-dried halves of ten 8 × 16-in. × 32-ft. stringers—that is to say, ten green stringers, 8 × 16 in.,

[1] See also Appendix *F*.

32 ft. long, as nearly uniform in quality throughout their lengths as possible were selected. The following is taken from the bulletin:

One-half of each 32-ft. piece was tested in a green condition, and the other half tested after air-seasoning. The average moisture content of the air-seasoned material was 16.4%. The average ultimate strength in bending of the green material was 5440 lb. per sq. in., while the same value for the air-seasoned timber was 6740 lb. per sq. in., or an increase of 24%. The corresponding values for the elastic limit were 3740 and 5478 lb. per sq. in., showing an increase in strength due to seasoning of 47%.

A number of tests were made on various grades of Douglas fir stringers seasoned from 6 to 8 months; the grades select, merchantable, the seconds, being those defined in the export grading rules of the Pacific Coast Manufacturers Association adopted in 1903. In this group of stringers the fiber-stress at elastic limit and the modulus of rupture, in the case of select material, was increased, respectively, 8% and 5% by seasoning, the modulus of elasticity remaining practically unchanged. In the merchantable material the increase in these functions was, respectively 19%, 33%, and 6%. In the seconds, the fiber-stress at elastic limit increased 6%, while the modulus of rupture and modulus of elasticity showed, respectively, a decrease of 12% and 2%. The failures in seasoned Douglas fir stringers and car-sills were similar to those in green material, except that failures in horizontal shear were more common.

Failure in horizontal shear is more common in seasoned than in green timbers, because the net areas resisting shear along the neutral plane is often considerably decreased by checks. It seldom occurs in weak, low-grade material, which fact is doubtless due to the dowelling-pin action of the knots invariably associated with low-grade timbers.

4. Methods of Seasoning Timber.—The most satisfactory method of seasoning is air-seasoning, or the exposure of the green timber to the drying action of natural air currents, the timber being protected from the weather. Lumber to be thus properly seasoned must be protected from rain, piled on level, firm foundations well off the ground, supported at frequent intervals in its length, and "stuck"—that is, each layer of boards separated from the adjoining layers by strips of timber. The boards in each layer should be separated from one another. This method of piling allows the air to circulate freely around each stick of timber.

Air-seasoning takes time—usually many months in order to thoroughly season the timber. For this reason certain classes of lumber, as flooring, ceiling, etc., are commonly kiln-dried, that is, exposed to high temperatures in a drying kiln. Kiln-drying must be properly done, else the timber will be brittle. Careful regulation of the heat, avoidance of extremely high temperatures, prevention of draughts of outside air, and the use of steam baths before drying are factors tending to reduce the tendency to brittleness.

5. Effect of Defects on Strength of Timber.—Defects, such as knots, cross-grain, wind shakes, etc., decrease the strength of timber. Knots are always co-existent with cross or diagonal grain in the immediate vicinity of the knot. In former years, the effect of a knot was considered most serious only when the timber was subjected to tension. It has been proved, however, that knots vitally weaken the timber in compression, due to the variation of the timber fibers around the knot from their normal direction.

Minor defects, such as pitch pockets, sap stain, etc., are of no consequence structurally.

6. Deterioration of Timber.—Mechanical deterioration of timber occurs from continued use. Flooring will wear out, railway spikes will become loose in the ties, and screws subject to continued "working" will enlarge their holes in the wood and pull out. The probable deterioration due to wear and tear can be fairly accurately foreseen.

6*a*. Deterioriation Due to Age.—In building construction, timber properly protected from the weather and from dry rot will not deteriorate with age, and in many cases increased strength may result.

6*b*. Deterioriation Due to Decay.—The decay of all timber in building construction may be said to be due to the presence and action of bacteria or fungi. Without going into a discussion of the nature and action of such fungi, the conditions conducive to decay should be realized. These are the presence of a certain amount of air, heat, and moisture. Timber so situated that it will be subject to a free circulation of air at all times will not rot. Timber completely and permanently immersed in water or timber buried deeply without access to any air will not decay. On the other hand, timber alternately wet and dry will be subject to decay. The danger of dry-rot in timber joists so set in masonry that free circulation of air cannot occur is well known. Timber in contact with the soil and set in close proximity to the ground in exterior walls will decay. In this connection, the danger of infection of otherwise sound timber from diseased timber should be recognized. In many instances infected timber is brought upon the job from the lumber yard. Only the most careful inspection can prevent such a circumstance, and the only recourse should be the rejection and removal of each affected

stick unless by cutting off to safely remove all vestige of "date" the shortened stick may be made available.

Certain timbers, as cedar and redwood, are very resistant to the action of fungi.

6c. Deterioration Due to Animal Life.—In timber exposed to sea water, deterioration may occur from marine life, as the teredo and the limnoria; in the case of land structures, certain wood borers, as the beetles and termites, destroy timber. Protection against destruction from marine life must be given by the designer of timber structures; protection of timber from deterioration due to land life is properly the function of the forester and horticulturist.

7. Treatment of Timber to Prevent Decay.—The prevention of decay in timber should be given as careful consideration by the structural designer as is the strength of a joint. Details of design should be so drawn that the timber is protected from the weather and from moisture, has no contact with the ground, and has access to circulation of air. Unseasoned timber should not be painted. The presence of an air-excluding film of paint around a green stick of timber is almost certain to result in dry-rot. The underpinning of a building should be well ventilated, Green lumber should not be used for flooring or other tightly driven work. The ends of floor joists when embedded in masonry walls should have space around them to give access to air. Contact faces of timber to timber, and timber to metal, may well be painted with a good wood preservative.

When further measures than good design are required to prevent decay of timber, treatment by preservatives must be resorted to. Two methods are used: (1) impregnation of the timber with the preservative, and (2) brush or surface treatment of the timber.

The most common wood preservatives used are creosote, zinc chloride, copper sulphate and mercury chloride, and combinations of these. Of the above, creosote and zinc chloride are probably used most extensively.

In the impregnation process, the timber is first treated by drying or steaming, and then subjected to a bath of the preservative under pressure. The impregnation process is much more effective than surface treatment, and is ordinarily done at specially designed plants.

The surface treatment of timber with wood preservative is accomplished by painting the timber with the preservative, or by dipping the timber in an open bath of the preservative. This work is done on the job. Timber to be thus treated should be seasoned and dry, otherwise the treatment is more or less ineffective. The preservative should be heated. Dipping is far preferable to painting. All timber dipped should remain in the hot liquid at least 15 min. An advantage is claimed by some experimenters for an alternate soaking in hot and cold preservative. For brush treatment, at least two surface treatments with hot preservative are necessary, and three are to be advised.

8. Sawing of Timber.—Boards and planks are ordinarily cut tangentially,—that is, tangent to the annual rings of the log. This method is known as flat sawing, and the boards or planks are said to have flat grain, bastard grain, or to be slash cut.

In quarter-sawing the logs are cut into quarters, and then sawed across the annual rings. This method is also known as rift sawing, and the material thus cut is said to have edge grain. Quarter-sawing gives the beautiful graining seen in quarter-sawed oak and similar timbers. Edge-grained lumber also shrinks and warps less than flat-sawed lumber, does not sliver, and gives greater resistance to wear, as in vertical-grain flooring.

Timbers in which the heart of the tree is enclosed in the cross section are said to be "boxed-hearts." Such timbers will check deeply on all sides, with radial checks extending deeply into the section.

9. Classification of Lumber.—The following extracts from the General Timber Specifications adopted by the American Society for Testing Materials, August 1915, indicate the nature of defects, number and character of those allowed, also the specifications for the various grades of lumber, including the definition of the "density" rule for Southern yellow pine.

Knots.—Knots shall be classified as round and spike in form; and for quality, as sound, encased, loose, and unsound. Knots are also classed as to size.

A *sound* knot is one which is solid across its face and which is as hard as the wood surrounding it; it may be either red or black, and is so fixed by growth or position that it will retain its place in the piece. A *loose* knot is one not firmly held in place by growth or position. A *pith* knot is a sound knot with a pith hole not more than ¼ in. in diameter. An *encased* knot is one whose growth rings are not intergrown and homogeneous with the growth rings of the piece it is in. The encasement may be partial or complete; if intergrown partially or so fixed by growth or position that it will retain its place in the piece, it shall be considered a sound knot; if completely intergrown on one face, it is a *water-tight* knot. An *unsound* knot is one not as hard as the wood it is in. A *pin* knot is a sound knot not over ½ in. in diameter. A *standard* knot is a sound knot not over 1½ in. in diameter. A *large* knot is a sound knot, more than 1½ in. in diameter. A *round* knot is one which is oval or circular in form. A *spike* knot is one sawn in a lengthwise direction; the mean or average width shall be considered in measuring these knots.

Wane.—Wane is bark, or the lack of wood from any cause, on edges of timbers.

Shakes.—Shakes are splits or checks in timbers which usually cause a separation of the wood between annual rings. Ring shake is an opening between the annual rings. Through shake is a shake which extends between two faces of a timber.

Shakes not hereinbefore described unless known to have extensive penetration shall not be considered a defect under this classification.

Sizes.—All rough timber, except No. 1 Common, must be full size when green. ¼ in. shall be allowed for each side surfaced.

Lengths.—Standard lengths are multiples of 2 ft., 8 to 20 ft. inclusive; extra lengths are multiples of 2 ft., 2 ft. and longer. When lineal average is specified, standard of lengths shall be multiples of 1 ft.

Heart Timbers.—All timber specifications, except "Merchantable" and "Select Structural Timbers" specifying heart requirements, shall be considered as a special contract, and shall specify whether the heart requirements refer to surface or girth measurements in each piece.

No. 1 Common Timbers.—May be either dense or sound pine. Unless otherwise specified, this grade will admit any amount of sapwood.

Common timbers, rough, 4 × 4 and larger, may be ¼ in. scant in either or both of its dimensions, shall be well manufactured and may have 1½ in. wane on one corner, ⅓ the length of the piece, or its equivalent on two or more corners, the wane measured on its face.

Timbers 10 × 10 may have 2 in. wane as above; the larger sizes may have wane as above in proportion to sizes.

Common timbers may contain sound knots and pith knots, provided that the diameter of any one knot shall not exceed the following in size:

2	in.	in	4 × 4	to	6 × 6
2½	in.	in	6 × 8	to	8 × 10
3	in.	in	10 × 10	to	10 × 12
3½	in.	in	12 × 12	to	12 × 14
4	in.	in	14 × 14	to	14 × 16
4½	in.	in	16 × 16	to	16 × 18

In sizes not mentioned the diameter of knots admissible will increase or decrease in proportion to the size of the timbers on same basis as above specified.

In determining the size of knots, mean or average diameter shall be taken, or the equivalent of the above in grouped knots at any one point.

Will admit shakes extending ⅙ the length of the piece, round or ring shakes, unsound knots 1½ in. or less in diameter, a limited number of pin worm holes, well scattered, sap stain, and seasoning checks. Unless otherwise specified, this grade will admit any amount of sap stain.

Square-edge and Sound Timbers.—May be either dense or sound pine. Unless otherwise specified, this grade will admit any amount of sapwood.

Square-edge and sound timbers shall be well manufactured and shall be free from defects such as injurious ring or round shakes and through shakes that extend to the surface, unsound and loose knots and knots in groups that will materially impair the strength, and shall be free from wane. Seasoning checks and sap stain shall not be considered defects.

Merchantable Timbers.—May be either dense or sound pine. All merchantable timbers shall be well manufactured and shall be free from defects, such as injurious ring and round shakes and through shakes that extend to the surface, unsound and loose knots, and knots in groups that will materially impair the strength. Seasoning checks and sap stain shall not be considered defects.

Sizes under 9 in. on the largest dimension, shall show ⅔ or more heart on both of the wide faces. When sticks are square, the face showing the most heart shall govern the inspection on sizes under 9 in., and the two faces showing the most heart shall govern the inspection when 9 in. and over. Heart showing the full length, even if not ⅔ of the area as above, shall meet the requirements of this quality.

Wane not exceeding ⅛ of the dimension of the face and ¼ of the length of the piece on one corner, or the equivalent on two or more corners or not to exceed 10% of the pieces, shall be admitted.

Southern Yellow Pine.—This term includes the species of yellow pine growing in the Southern States from Virginia to Texas—that is, the pines hitherto known as longleaf pine (Pinus palustris), shortleaf pine (Pinus echinata), loblolly pine (Pinus taeda), Cuban pine (Pinus heterophyla) and pond pine (Pinus serotina).

Under this heading two classes of timber are designated: (*a*) dense Southern yellow pine, and (*b*) sound Southern yellow pine. It is understood that these two terms are descriptive of quality rather than of botanical species.

(*a*) Dense Southern yellow pine shall show on either end an average of at least 6 annual rings per inch and at least ⅓ summer wood, or else the greater number of rings shall show at least ⅓ summer wood, all as measured over the third, fourth, and fifth inches of a radial line from the pith. Wide-ringed material excluded by this rule will be acceptable, provided that the amount of summer wood as above measured shall be at least one-half.

The contrast in color between summer wood and spring wood shall be sharp and the summer wood shall be dark in color, except in pieces having considerably above the minimum requirement for summer wood.

In cases where timbers do not contain the pith, and it is impossible to locate it with any degree of accuracy the same inspection shall be made over 3 in. on an approximate radial line beginning at the edge nearest the pith in timbers over 3 in. in thickness and on the second inch (on the piece) nearest to the pith in timbers 3 in. or less in thickness.

In dimension material containing the pith but not a 5-in. radial line, which is less than 2 × 8 in. in section or less than 8 in. in width, that does not show over 16 sq. in. on the cross-section, the inspection shall apply to the sec-

ond inch from the pith. In larger material that does not show a 5-in. radial line the inspection shall apply to the three inches farthest from the pith.

The radial line chosen shall be representative. In case of disagreement between purchaser and seller, the average summer wood and number of rings shall be the average of the two radial lines chosen.

(*b*) Sound Southern yellow pine shall include pieces of Southern Pine without any ring or summer wood requirement.

10. Strength Values of Timber.—Probably the most comprehensive study ever made of the strength values of structural timber was that made by the American Railway Engineering Asssociation, through their Committee on Wooden Bridges and Trestles. The ultimate and working stresses recommended by that committee are given in the accompanying table. The table gives no working unit stresses for pure tension. The working unit resistance to tension may be taken the same as for bending.

The working unit stresses as given (increased 50 % for buildings) are the highest that should be taken for any structural timber; and for timber not better than what is generally known as No. 1 Common, it is here recommended that unit stresses not exceeding 25 % of those given in the table, be used in building construction.

Working Unit Stresses For Structual Timber

Adopted by the American Railway Engineering Association

The working unit stresses given in the table are intended for railroad bridges and trestles. For highway bridges and trestles, the unit stresses may be increased 25 %. For buildings and similar structures, in which the timber is protected from the weather and practically free from impact, the unit stresses may be decreased 50 %. To compute the deflection of a beam under long continued loading instead of that when the load is first applied, only 50 % of the corresponding modulus of elasticity given in the table is to be employed.

Unit Stresses in Pounds Per Square Inch

Kind of timber	Bending			Shearing				Compression					
	Extreme fiber stress		Modulus of elasticity	Parallel to to the grain		Longitudinal inal shear in beams		Perpendicular to to the grain		Parallel to to the grain		Working stresses for columns	
	Average ultimate	Working stress	Average	Average ultimate	Working stress	Average ultimate	Working stress	Elastic limit	Working stress	Average ultimate	Working stress	Lgth. under $15 \times d$	Lgth. over $15 \times d$ $(1 - \frac{l}{60d})$
Douglas fir	6100	1200	1,510,000	690	170	270	110	630	310	3600	1200	900	1200
Longleaf pine	6500	1300	1,610,000	720	180	300	120	520	260	3800	1300	975	1300
Shortleaf pine	5600	1100	1,480,000	710	170	330	130	340	170	3400	1100	825	1100
White pine	4400	900	1,130,000	400	100	180	70	290	150	3000	1000	750	1000
Spruce	4800	1000	1,310,000	600	150	170	70	370	180	3200	1100	825	1100
Norway pine	4200	800	1,190,000	590*	130	250	100	...	150	2600*	800	600	800
Tamarack	4600	900	1,220,000	670	170	260	100	...	220	3200*	1000	750	1000
Western hemlock	5800	1100	1,480,000	630	160	270*	100	440	220	3500	1200	900	1200
Redwood	5000	900	800,000	300	80	...	...	400	150	3300	900	675	900
Bald cypress	4800	900	1,150,000	500	120	...	...	340	170	3900	1100	825	1100
Red cedar	4200	800	800,000	...	...	...	...	470	230	2800	900	675	900
White oak	5700	1100	1,150,000	840	210	270	110	920	450	3500	1300	975	1300

Unit stresses are for green timber and are to be used without increasing the live load stresses for impact. Values noted * are for partially air dry timbers.

In the formulas given for columns, l = length of column, and d = least side or diameter, in inches.

11. Sizes and Lengths of Framing Timbers.—The nominal sizes in which framing timbers may be purchased is indicated in the following table:

NOMINAL SIZES OF FRAMING TIMBER

2×4	.....	.....	4×4								
2×6	2½×6 *	3×6	4×6	6×6							
2×8	2½×8 *	3×8	4×8	6×8	8×8						
2×10	2½×10*	3×10	4×10	6×10	8×10	10×10					
2×12	2½×12*	3×12	4×12	6×12	8×12	10×12	12×12				
2×14	2½×14*	3×14	4×14	6×14	8×14	10×14	12×14	14×14			
2×16	2½×16*	3×16	4×16	6×16	8×16	10×16	12×16	14×16	16×16		
2×18	2½×18*	3×18	4×18	6×18	8×18	10×18	12×18	14×18	16×18	18×18	
				6×20	8×20	10×20	12×20	14×20	16×20	18×20	20×20
									16×22	18×22	20×22
									16×24	18×24	20×24
										18×26	20×28
											20×30

* For Yellow Pine Only.
All sizes above 18-in. depth for Douglas Fir only.

Other sizes, such as 2 × 3, 2 × 5, 2 × 7, 2 × 9, 3 × 4, and 3 × 5 are sawed by a few mills, but are not common. 2 × 3 in Douglas Fir is shipped into California by the northern mills. The largest sizes of timbers listed in the above table are not ordinarily carried in stock, and must be ordered under special contract.

Rail shipments of dimension lumber are generally shipped surfaced one side one edge; water shipments, in the rough. If rough sizes are desired, the shipment should be so ordered under special contract. The sizes of timbers surfaced one side one edge (written S1S1E) are shown in tables on pp. 104 to 114 incl.

12. Measurement of Lumber.—In the United States, all lumber, except as noted below, is cut and sold in even lengths, as 12 ft., 14 ft., 16 ft., 18 ft., etc. Timbers will usually overrun such lengths a small amount. Thus a 10 × 10 timber ordered as a 16-ft. length may actually be 16 ft. 4 in. long. However, this full excess length cannot be counted upon. The excess length may be only sufficient to allow a full 16-ft. length after cutting the ends square. Any odd or fractional lengths of timbers required in a building must be purchased as the next higher even length. A study of the size of building and arrangement of walls, posts, story heights, etc. may sometimes result in a considerable saving in lumber by the elimination of cutting lengths of timbers that are slightly under standard lengths.

All lumber, except some finishing lumber, is sold by board-measure, the unit of which is the board foot. One board foot of lumber is 144 cu. in. Expressed in another way, a board foot is the equivalent of a 12-in. length of board, 1 in. thick and 12 in. wide. For example, a piece of timber 6 in. square and 14 ft. long has 42 board feet. To compute the board feet in any timber, divide the product of the sectional area of the stick and the length of the timber by the factor 12, and the result will be the number of board feet in the timber.

In making out a lumber list, the information to be given is the number of pieces, sectional dimensions, length, kind of timber, quality, and statement of whether the lumber is to be rough or surfaced.

This information is usually presented in the following manner:

$$4 - 8'' \times 10'' - 16'$$ Douglas Fir No. 1 Common S4S.

The first number gives the number of pieces, the next two, the thickness and depth, respectively, and the fourth number the length. The smallest cross-sectional dimension is written first, thus, $2'' \times 4''$ rather than $4'' \times 2''$. The abbreviation S4S indicates that the timbers are to be surfaced four sides.

The board feet in the four sticks would be the product of the four numbers divided by 12, or 427 board feet.

Many tables are published giving the board feet measure of commercial sizes of timbers. The accompanying table shows the contents of timbers in board-measure. However, with a little practice, one can compute the quantities almost as fast as by the use of a table by performing the simpler multiplication mentally, factoring where possible. Thus, in the example given above, $80 \times 16 \times \frac{1}{8} = 80 \times 5\frac{1}{8} = 427$ board feet. The nominal cross-sectional dimensions are always used, *i.e.*, $8'' \times 10''$, instead of the finished dimensions, $7\frac{1}{2}'' \times 9\frac{1}{2}''$.

The following extracts are taken from the 1917 Standard Specifications for Grades of Southern Yellow Pine Lumber of the Southern Pine Association.

Table of Board Measure

Table shows the number of board feet in various sizes, for lengths varying from 10 to 32 ft.

Size in inches	Length in feet											
	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32
2× 4	6⅔	8	9⅓	10⅔	12	13⅓	14⅔	16	17⅓	18⅔	29	21⅓
2× 6	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32
2× 8	13⅓	16	18⅔	21⅓	24	26⅔	29⅓	32	34⅔	37⅓	40	42⅔
2×10	16⅔	20	23⅓	26⅔	30	33⅓	36⅔	40	43⅓	46⅔	50	53⅓
2×12	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	48	52	56	60	64
2×14	23⅓	28	32⅔	37⅓	42	46⅔	51⅓	56	60⅔	65⅓	70	74⅔
2×16	26⅔	32	37⅓	42⅔	48	53⅓	58⅔	64	69⅓	74⅔	80	85⅓
2×18	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72	78	84	90	96
2×20	33⅓	40	46⅔	53⅓	60	66⅔	73⅓	80	86⅔	93⅓	100	106⅔
3× 6	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39	42	45	48
3× 8	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	48	52	56	60	64
3×10	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
3×12	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72	78	84	90	96
3×14	35	42	49	56	63	70	77	84	91	98	105	112
3×16	40	48	56	64	72	80	88	96	104	112	120	128
3×18	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108	117	126	135	144
3×20	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	140	150	160
4× 4	13⅓	16	18⅔	21⅓	24	26⅔	29⅓	32	34⅔	37⅓	40	42⅔
4× 6	20	24	28	32	36	50	44	48	52	56	60	64
4× 8	26⅔	32	37⅓	42⅔	48	53¼	58⅔	64	69⅓	74⅔	80	85⅓
4×10	33⅓	40	46⅔	53⅓	60	66⅔	73⅓	80	86⅔	93⅓	100	106⅔
4×12	40	48	56	64	72	80	88	96	104	112	120	128
4×14	46⅔	56	65⅓	74⅔	84	93⅓	102⅔	112	121⅓	130⅔	140	149⅓
4×16	53⅓	64	74⅔	85⅓	96	106⅔	117⅓	128	138⅔	149⅓	160	170⅔
4×18	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144	156	168	170	192
4×20	66⅔	80	93⅓	106⅔	120	133⅓	146⅔	160	173⅓	186⅔	200	213⅓
6× 6	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72	78	84	90	96
6× 8	40	48	56	64	72	80	88	96	104	112	120	128
6×10	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	140	150	160
6×12	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144	156	168	180	192
6×14	70	84	98	112	126	140	154	168	182	196	210	224
6×16	80	96	112	128	144	160	176	192	208	224	240	256
6×18	90	108	126	144	162	180	198	216	234	252	270	288
6×20	100	120	140	160	180	200	220	240	260	280	300	320
8× 8	53⅓	64	74⅔	85⅓	96	106⅔	117⅓	128	138⅔	149⅓	160	170⅔
8×10	66⅔	80	93⅓	106⅔	120	133⅓	146⅔	160	173⅓	186⅔	200	213⅓
8×12	80	96	112	128	144	160	176	192	208	224	240	256
8×14	93⅓	112	130⅔	149⅓	168	186⅔	205⅓	224	242⅔	261⅓	280	298⅔
8×16	106⅔	128	149⅓	170⅔	192	213⅓	234⅔	256	277⅓	298⅔	320	341⅓
8×18	120	144	168	192	216	240	264	288	312	336	360	384
8×20	133⅓	160	186⅔	213⅓	240	266⅔	293⅓	320	346⅔	373⅓	400	426⅔
10×10	83⅓	100	116⅔	133⅓	150	166⅔	183⅓	200	216⅔	233⅓	250	266⅔
10×12	100	120	140	160	180	200	220	240	260	280	300	320
10×14	116⅔	140	163⅓	186⅔	210	233⅓	256⅔	280	303⅓	326⅔	350	373⅓
10×16	133⅓	160	186⅔	213⅓	240	266⅔	293⅓	320	346⅔	373⅓	400	426⅔
10×18	150	180	210	240	270	300	330	360	390	420	450	480
10×20	166⅔	200	233⅓	266⅔	300	333⅓	366⅔	400	433⅓	466⅔	500	533⅓
12×12	120	144	168	192	216	240	264	288	312	336	360	384
12×14	140	168	196	224	252	280	308	336	364	392	420	448
12×16	160	192	224	256	288	320	352	384	416	448	480	512
12×18	180	216	252	288	324	360	396	432	468	504	540	576
12×20	200	240	280	320	360	400	440	480	520	560	600	640

Size in inches	Length in feet											
	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32
14×14	163⅓	196	228⅔	261⅓	294	326⅔	359⅓	392	424⅔	457⅓	490	522⅔
14×16	186⅔	224	261⅓	298⅔	336	373⅓	410⅔	448	485⅓	522⅔	560	597⅓
14×18	210	252	294	336	378	420	462	504	546	588	630	672
14×20	233⅓	280	326⅔	373⅓	420	466⅔	513⅓	560	606⅔	653⅓	700	746⅔
16×16	213⅓	256	298⅔	341⅓	384	426⅔	469⅓	512	554⅔	597⅓	640	682⅔
16×18	240	288	336	384	432	480	528	576	624	672	720	768
16×20	266⅔	320	373⅓	426⅔	480	533⅓	586⅔	640	693⅓	746⅔	800	853⅓
16×22	293⅓	352	410⅔	469⅓	528	586⅔	645⅓	704	762⅔	821⅓	880	938⅔
16×24	320	384	448	512	576	640	704	768	832	896	960	1024
18×18	270	324	378	432	486	540	594	648	702	756	810	864
18×20	300	360	420	480	540	600	660	720	780	840	900	960
18×22	330	396	462	528	594	660	726	792	858	924	990	1056
18×24	360	432	504	576	648	720	792	864	936	1008	1080	1152
20×20	333⅓	400	466⅔	533⅓	600	666⅔	733⅓	800	866⅔	933⅓	1000	1066⅔
20×22	366⅔	440	513⅓	586⅔	660	733⅓	806⅔	880	953⅓	1026⅔	1100	1173⅓
20×24	400	480	560	640	720	720	880	960	1040	1120	1200	1280
22×22	403⅓	484	564⅔	645⅓	726	806⅔	887⅓	968	1048⅔	1129⅓	1210	1290⅔
22×24	440	528	616	704	792	880	968	1056	1144	1232	1320	1408
24×24	480	576	672	768	864	960	1056	1152	1248	1344	1440	1536
26×26	563⅓	676	788⅔	901⅓	1014	1126⅔	1239⅓	1352	1464⅔	1577⅓	1690	1802⅔

Standard lengths (of lumber) are multiples of 2 ft., 4 to 24 ft., inclusive, for Boards, Fencing, Dimension, Joists and Timbers: multiples of 1 ft., 4 to 20 ft., inclusive, for Finishing, Flooring, Ceiling, Siding, Partition, Casing, Base, Window and Door Jambs—except as hereinafter specified. Longer or shorter lengths than those herein specified are special. Special fractional lengths, when ordered, will be counted as the next higher standard length.

The standard widths for lumber, S1S or S2S or rough, excluding Dimension, shall be multiples of 1 in., 3 in. and up in width.

All dressed stock shall be measured and sold strip count, viz.: full size of rough material necessarily used in its manufacture. All sizes 1 in. or less in thickness shall be counted as 1 in. thick.

13. Finishing Lumber, Flooring, Ceiling, Rustic, etc.—The following extracts are taken from the 1917 Standard Specifications for Grades of Southern Yellow Pine Lumber of the Southern Pine Association:

1. *Dressed Yellow Pine Finishing.*

Finishing shall be dressed to the following sizes:

1-in. S1S or 2S to 13/16 in.
1¼-in. S1S or 2S to 1⅛ in.
1¼-in. S1S or 2S to 1⅜ in.
2-in. S1S or 2S to 1¾ in.

These thicknesses also apply when S4S.

The standard widths of S4S shall be as follows:

1 × 4	3⅝ in.
1 × 5	4⅝ in.
1 × 6	5⅝ in.
1 × 7	6⅝ in.
1 × 8	7½ in.
1 × 9	8½ in.
1 × 10	9½ in.
1 × 11	10½ in.
1 × 12	11½ in.

The foregoing widths shall also apply to stock wider than 1 in.

Standard lengths are 8 to 20 ft.

2. *Panel shop* is 10 and 12 in. wide, all lengths from 8 to 20 ft. or longer.
3. *Flooring.*—1 × 3, 1 × 4, and 1 × 6 shall be worked to $^{13}/_{16}$ in. by $2\frac{1}{4}$, $2\frac{1}{2}$, $3\frac{1}{4}$ and $5\frac{1}{4}$ in.

$1\frac{1}{4}$-in. flooring shall be worked to $1\frac{1}{16}$ in. thick, and $1\frac{1}{2}$-in. flooring shall be worked to $1\frac{5}{16}$ in. thick, the same width and the same matching as 1-in. stock.
4. *Ceiling.*—Ceiling shall be worked to the following:

$\frac{3}{8}$ in.	$\frac{5}{16}$ in.
$\frac{1}{2}$ in.	$\frac{7}{16}$ in.
$\frac{5}{8}$ in.	$\frac{9}{16}$ in.
$\frac{3}{4}$ in.	$1\frac{1}{16}$ in.

Same widths as flooring. The bead on all Ceiling and Partition shall be depressed $\frac{1}{32}$ in. below surface of piece.
5. *Drop Siding.*—*D* and *M* (dressed and matched) shall be worked to $\frac{3}{4}$ × $3\frac{1}{4}$ and $5\frac{1}{4}$ in., $3\frac{1}{2}$ and $5\frac{1}{2}$ in. over all. Worked shiplap to $\frac{3}{4}$ × 3 and 5, $3\frac{1}{2}$ and $5\frac{1}{2}$ in. over all.
6. *Bevel Siding* shall be made from stock S4S, worked to $^{13}/_{16}$ in. by $3\frac{1}{2}$ and $5\frac{1}{2}$ in., and resawed on a bevel.
7. *Partition* shall be worked to $\frac{3}{4}$ × $3\frac{1}{4}$, and $5\frac{1}{4}$ in.
8. *Molded Casing and Base, Window* and *Door Jambs.*—Sizes of molded Casing and Base should be worked to $\frac{3}{4}$ in., as per patterns shown in Southern Pine Association Molding Book.

Window and Door Jambs, Dressed, Rabbeted, and Plowed as ordered.
9. *Common Boards, Shiplap, and Barn Siding.*—Sizes of Boards.—1-in. S1S or 2S to $^{13}/_{16}$, $1\frac{1}{4}$-in. SIS or 2S to $1\frac{1}{16}$, $1\frac{1}{2}$-in. S1S or 2S to $1\frac{3}{8}$. These thicknesses also apply to S4S.

All 1-in. Common lumber which is ordered dressed one or two sides, one edge, may be dressed to bring the width $\frac{1}{8}$ in. scant of full width.

Boards 1 × 8, S4S, shall be worked $7\frac{1}{2}$ in. wide; 1 × 9 − $8\frac{1}{2}$ in.; 1 × 10 − $9\frac{1}{2}$ in.; 1 × 11 − $10\frac{1}{2}$ in.; 1 × 12 − $11\frac{1}{2}$ in.

Sizes of No. 1 Common D. & M. and Barn Siding.—8, 10 and 12-in. shall be worked to $\frac{3}{4}$ × $7\frac{1}{16}$, $9\frac{1}{8}$, and $11\frac{1}{8}$ in.; D. & M. shall be S2S & C. M. Shiplap worked to $\frac{3}{4}$-in. thick face, same width as D. & M. and Barn Siding.

The following quotations are from "Rail A, Jan. 1, 1917, Standard Classification, Grading, and Dressing Rules for Douglas Fir, Spruce, Cedar, and Western Hemlock Products" published by the West Coast Lumbermen's Association:

GRADES AND STANDARD SIZES

Fir Flooring

Sizes: $\frac{3}{4}$ × 3, $\frac{3}{4}$ × 4, $\frac{3}{4}$ × 6 in. shall be finished $\frac{5}{8}$ × $2\frac{1}{4}$, $3\frac{1}{4}$, and $5\frac{1}{8}$ in.; 1 × 3, 1 × 4, 1 × 6 V.G., and 1 × 4 F.G., shall be finished $^{13}/_{16}$ × $2\frac{1}{4}$, $3\frac{1}{4}$, and $5\frac{1}{8}$.

1 × 6 F.G., shall be finished $\frac{3}{4}$ × $5\frac{1}{8}$.

$1\frac{1}{4}$ × 3, 4, and 6 in. shall be finished $1\frac{1}{16}$ × $2\frac{1}{4}$, $3\frac{1}{4}$, and $5\frac{1}{8}$ in.

$1\frac{1}{2}$ × 3, 4, and 6 in. shall be finished to $1\frac{5}{16}$ × $2\frac{1}{4}$, $3\frac{1}{4}$, and $5\frac{1}{8}$ in.

Two inches and thicker shall be finished according to the standard patterns for such sizes as included in these rules. Standard lengths are multiples of 1 ft.

Fir Ceiling

Sizes: Ceiling shall be worked to the following:

$\frac{3}{8}$ × 3, 4, and 6 in. finished $\frac{5}{16}$ × $2\frac{1}{4}$, $3\frac{1}{4}$, and $5\frac{1}{8}$ in.

$\frac{1}{2}$ × 3, 4, and 6 in. finished $\frac{7}{16}$ × $2\frac{1}{4}$, $3\frac{1}{4}$, and $5\frac{1}{8}$ in.

$\frac{5}{8}$ × 3, 4, and 6 in. finished $\frac{9}{16}$ × $2\frac{1}{4}$, $3\frac{1}{4}$, and $5\frac{1}{8}$ in.

1 × 3, 4, and 6 in. finished $1\frac{1}{16}$ × $2\frac{1}{4}$, $3\frac{1}{4}$, and $5\frac{1}{8}$ in.

Standard lengths are multiples of 1 ft.

Fir Partition

Sizes: 1 × 4 and 6 in. finished $1\frac{1}{16}$ × $3\frac{1}{4}$ and $5\frac{1}{8}$ in. Standard lengths are multiples of 1 ft. Partition 4 or 6 in. shall be graded from the poorest side.

Fir Finish

Sizes: Thickness S1S or S2S, 1 in. to $\frac{3}{4}$ in.; $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. to $1\frac{1}{16}$ in.; $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. to $1\frac{5}{16}$ in.; 2 in. to $1\frac{3}{4}$ in. Widths if dressed one or two edges; 4, 5, and 6 in., finished to $3\frac{1}{2}$, $4\frac{1}{2}$, and $5\frac{1}{2}$ in.; 8, 10, and 12 in., finished to $7\frac{1}{4}$, $9\frac{1}{4}$, and $11\frac{1}{4}$ in.; 14 and 16 in., finished to 13 and 15 in. Standard lengths are multiples of 1 ft.

V.G. Fir Stepping, S1S or S2S and Nosed

Sizes: $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. S1S or S2S, finished to $1\frac{1}{16}$; $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. to $1\frac{5}{16}$; 2 in. to $1\frac{3}{4}$ in. in thickness. Widths if dressed one or two edges, 8, 10, and 12 in., finish to $7\frac{1}{4}$, $9\frac{1}{4}$, and $11\frac{1}{4}$ in.; 14 in. to 13 in. Standard lengths are multiples of 1 ft.

Fir Drop Siding

Sizes: 5/8 × 6 in., No. 105, finished 9/16 × 4 7/8 in., 1/2-in. rabbet; 5/8 × 6 in., No. 106, finished 9/16 × 5 1/8 in., 1 × 6 in. No. 105, finished 3/4 × 4 7/8 in., 1/2-in. rabbet; 1 × 4, 6, and 8 in., No. 106, finished 3/4 × 3 1/4, 5 1/8, and 7 in., 1/4-in. tongue. Standard lengths are multiples of 2 ft.

Fir Rustic

Sizes: 5/8 × 6 and 8-in. channel, finished 9/16 × 4 7/8 and 6 3/4, 1/2-in. rabbet; 1 × 6 and 8-in. channel, finished 3/4 × 4 7/8, and 6 3/4 in., 1/2-in. rabbet; 5/8 × 6 and 8-in. V and center-V, finished 9/16 × 4 7/8 and 6 3/4 in., 1/2-in. rabbet; 1 × 6 and 8-in. V and center-V, finished 3/4 × 4 7/8 and 6 3/4 in., 1/2-in. rabbet. Standard lengths are multiples of 2 ft. Grades same as Drop Siding.

Fir Bungalow or Colonial Siding

Sizes: 1 × 8, 10, and 12 in. Finished thickness 1/4 in. on thin edge, 1 1/16 in. on thick edge. Finished widths, 7 1/4, 9 1/4, and 11 1/4 in. respectively. Standard lengths are multiples of 2 ft.

Fir Bevel Siding

Sizes: 1/2 × 4, 1/2 × 5, and 1/2 × 6 in. Thin edge, finished size, 3/16 in.; thick edge, finished size, 1/2 in. Finished widths, 3 1/2, 4 1/2, and 5 1/2 in., respectively, for 4, 5, and 6-in. stock. Standard lengths are multiples of 1 ft.

Fir Battens

3-in. Flat shall be finished to 5/16 × 2 1/2 in. net; 2-in. O.G., shall be finished 3/4 × 1 3/4 in. net; 2 1/2 in. O.G., shall be finished 3/4 × 2 1/4 in. net; 3-in. O. G. shall be finished 3/4 × 2 1/2 in. net.

COMMONS

Boards and Shiplap and D. & M.

Sizes: 1 × 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12 in. Common Boards, S1S or S2S to 3/4 in. S1E or S2E 1/2 in. off. Shiplap 1 × 4, 6, 8, 10, and 12 in., finished 3/4 × 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11 in. D. & M. 1 × 4, 6, 8, 10, and 12 in., finished size, 3/4 × 3 1/4, 5 1/8, 7, 9, and 11 in. Standard lengths are multiples of 2 ft.

Dimension, Plank, and Small Timbers

Sizes: S1S1E or S4S; 2 × 4 to 1 5/8 × 3 5/8; 2 × 6 to 1 5/8 × 5 5/8; 2 × 8 to 1 5/8 × 7 1/2; 2 × 10 to 1 5/8 × 9 1/2; 2 × 12 to 1 5/8 × 11 1/2; 2 × 14 to 1 5/8 × 13 1/2; 2 × 16 to 1 5/8 × 15 1/2; etc. 3 × 4 to 2 1/2 × 3 5/8; 3 × 6 to 2 1/2 × 5 1/2; 3 × 8 to 2 1/2 × 7 1/2; 3 × 10 to 2 1/2 × 9 1/2; 3 × 12 to 2 1/2 × 11 1/2; 3 × 14 to 2 1/2 × 13 1/2; 3 × 16 to 2 1/2 × 15 1/2; etc., 4 × 4 to 3 1/2 × 3 1/2; 4 × 6 to 3 1/2 × 5 1/2, etc., 5 × 5 to 4 1/2 × 4 1/2 etc., 6 × 6 and 8, 1/2 in. off each way

Fir Timbers

Sizes: S1S, S1E, S1S1E, or S4S; 8 × 8 and larger, 1/2 in. off each way. Standard lengths are multiples of 2 ft.

Fir Factory Lumber

Sizes: 1-in Shop Common S2S to 1 3/16 in; 1 1/4-in. No. 1 Shop, S2S to 1 5/32 in.; 1 1/2-in. No. 1 Shop, S2S to 1 13/32 in.; 2-in. No. 1 Shop, S2S to 1 25/32 in.; 2 1/2-in. No. 1 Shop, S2S to 2 9/32-in.; 3-in. No. 1 Shop, S2S to 2 25/32 in.; 4-in. No. 1 Shop, S2S to 3 25/32 in.

Red Cedar Bevel Siding

Finished Sizes: 3/16 in. thin edge, 1/2 in. thick edge. Width 3 1/2, 4 1/2, and 5 1/2 in.

Cedar Bungalow or Colonial Siding

Finished Size: 1/4 in. on thin edge, 1 1/16 in. on thick edge. Finished widths 7 1/4, 9 1/4, and 11 1/4 in.

Red Cedar Finish

Finished Size: Thickness S1S or S2S, 1 in. to 3/4 in.; 1 1/4 in. to 1 1/16 in.; 1 1/2 in. to 1 5/16 in.; 2 in. to 1 3/4 in. Widths if dressed one or two edges: 4, 5, and 6 in. finished to 3 1/2, 4 1/2, and 5 1/2 in.; 8, 10, and 12 in. finished to 7 1/4, 9 1/4, and 11 1/4 in.; 14 and 16 in. finished to 13 and 15 in. Standard lengths are multiples of 1 ft.

Cedar Boards and Shiplap and D. & M.

Size: 1 × 4, 6, 8, 10, and 12 in. Common Boards, S1S or S2S to 3/4 in. S1E or S2E, 1/2 in. off. Shiplap and D. & M. 1 × 4, 6, 8, 10, and 12 in., finished 3/4 × 3 1/4, 5 1/8, 7, 9, and 11 in. Standard lengths are multiples of 2 ft.

14. Estimating Quantities of Sheathing, Flooring, Etc.—The following rules will give quantities actually required to cover various surfaces. The results are to be taken as approximately correct.

Sheathing.—To the actual superficial area to be covered, excluding openings, add 15 % for floors, 17 % for side walls, and 22 1/2 % for roofs.

If sheathing is laid diagonally, an allowance of 7 % should be added to the above figures to cover waste.

The above figures are for sheathing laid tight, *i.e.*, boards not separated.

Flooring, Ceiling, and *Wainscoting.*

Square-edged: For material 3½ in. wide, add 25 %.

Dressed and Matched:

20 % for 6-in. flooring
33 % for 4-in. flooring
40 % for 3-in. flooring

Siding.—To the net superficial area, after deducting for openings, add the following:

33⅓ % for 6-in. siding laid 4½ to 4¾ in. to the weather.
50 % for 4-in. siding.

For drop siding, use the figures for flooring of the same width.

BUILDING STONES

By H. Ries

Under this heading are included all natural rocks employed for ordinary masonry work, including interior and exterior decoration, roofing, and flagging. At the present day several kinds of artificial stone are made and some of these, such as artificial marble, may be good imitations, but they are rarely adapted for exterior work.

Most of the building stone quarried is for ordinary dimension blocks, which may be sold in the rough and dressed later. With stone for ornamental purposes must be considered: (1) the possibility of carving, sometimes to intricate and beautiful designs for buildings and monuments; (2) the ability to take a high and durable polish, often called for in marbles and granites; and (3) fine and uniform texture, as well as contrast between chiseled and polished surfaces, both necessary in stone for inscriptional purposes.

The factors which affect the selection of a building stone may be cost, strength, durability, and ornamental value.

15. Minerals in Building Stones.—Only a small number of mineral species are important constituents of building stones. A few are present in very small amounts, as scattered grains, sometimes of microscopic size. These in many cases have little or no effect on the quality of the stone. The more important ones are as follows:

Quartz.—Quartz, or silica, is very abundant in some building stones, such as sandstones, granites, and some gneisses. Flint and chert are amorphous or non-crystalline forms of silica, often of dark color, and occurring as concretionary masses in certain rocks, especially limestones. In these it often stands out in the weathered surface as knots, and its presence is undesirable.

Feldspar.—Orthoclase, the potash feldspar, is a silicate of alumina and potash. It is a common constituent of granites and many gneisses, and is also present in the variety of sandstone known as arkose. It shows two sets of cleavage planes which intersect at right angles. *Plagioclase* feldspar, commonly referred to as the lime soda feldspar, is a common constituent of some basic igneous rocks in which quartz is rare or absent.

Micas.—Micas are platy minerals, all silicates, of complex and somewhat variable composition. They have a perfect cleavage, and hence split readily into thin elastic leaves.

Amphibole.—Amphibole, a complex silicate, has two varieties which are most likely to occur in building stones; these are hornblende and tremolite. *Hornblende* is dark green, brown, or black in color, and usually occurs in compact, sometimes bladed crystals of fair lustre. It is an important constituent of many igneous rocks, and of some metamorphic gneisses and schists. *Tremolite,* a pale green variety, occurs in some marbles, forming usually bladelike or silky-looking masses. It is an injurious mineral, as it decomposes readily. Its occurrence in the quarry is apt to be very irregular.

Pyroxene.—Pyroxene has a composition and color similar to amphibole, and often is not distinguishable from hornblende with the naked eye. One dark colored variety, *augite,* is an essential constituent of some igenous rocks. It takes a good polish and has fair durability.

Calcite.—Calcite, the carbonate of lime, is white when pure, effervesces readily with hydrochloric acid, and has good rhombohedral cleavage. It is an important, and sometimes the only constituent of limestone, marble, and onyx. It may occur in the cementing material of sandstone and shale. If present in igneous rocks, it is a secondary and not an original constituent. Calcite is slightly soluble in surface water containing a little acid which results in some limestones and marbles showing solution cavities of variable size.

Dolomite.—Dolomite, the double carbonate of lime and magnesia, resembles calcite, but is slightly harder and effervesces only with warm acid. It is a common constituent of many limestones and marbles.

Gypsum.—Gypsum, the hydrous sulphate of ime, is the chief constituent of those stratified rocks known as rock gypsum, and is not found in many building stones. It is soft enough to be scratched with the thumbnail. Alabaster, the fine grained, white massive variety, is translucent in thin plates and has been used for ornamental purposes.

Serpentine.—Serpentine, a hydrous silicate of magnesia, is a green or yellow material of soapy feel, no cleavage, and soft enough to be easily scratched with a knife. In massive form it is a common and important constituent of the serpentine or verd antique marbles, but occurs sometimes as specks or lumps in ordinary marble. Its resistance to weather is low.

Pyrite.—Pyrite, or iron pyrite, the iron disulphide, may occur in all kinds of rocks. Its yellow color and metallic lustre make it easily recognizable. It is an undesirable constituent of building stones since it weathers easily to limonite, producing a rusty stain.

Limonite.—Limonite, a hydrous iron oxide, is common in the cementing material of some sedimentary rocks, especially sandstones, but in others may be formed by the weathering of iron-bearing silicates.

16. Rocks Used for Building Stones.—A rock may be defined as an aggregation of minerals forming a portion of the earth's crust. Rocks can be divided into the three following groups: igneous rocks, stratified rocks, and metamorphic rocks.

16*a*. Igneous Rocks.—Igneous rocks are formed by the cooling of a molten mass. With few exceptions they agree in being of massive structure, more or less crystalline texture, and free from statification planes. The following are the characters of the common types:

Granites.—Composed essentially of quartz and orthoclase feldspar, but usually containing some mica, amphibole, or pyroxene. *Texture*—coarse to fine, usually even, sometimes porphyritic. *Color*—variable, pink, gray, or white common. Valuable as a building stone because of usually high durability, variety of color and texture, and susceptibility of taking a high polish. The darker granites often give excellent contrast between hammered and polished surface.

Pegmatite.—Usually of very coarse grain, occurring commonly in the form of dikes. It is of no value as a building stone and its occurrence in some granite quarries causes serious waste.

Syenite.—An even granular rock, resembling granite in texture, composed chiefly of orthoclase feldspar, but usually having some hornblende, mica, or pyroxene. *Color*—usually white, pink, or gray. Takes a good polish but of little importance as a building stone because of its restricted occurrence.

Diorite.—Similar to granite in texture, composed of hornblende and plagioclase feldspar, often much biotite. *Color*—dark gray or greenish. Not as common as granite. Takes good polish and sometimes of very ornamental character.

Gabbro.—Like granite in texture. Consists chiefly of pyroxene and plagioclase feldspar; the former sometimes predominating to such an extent as to give the stone a very dark color. *Color*—dark gray or greenish to black. A common rock in the United States, being known in New England, the Adirondacks, Maryland, Minnesota, Rocky Mountains, and California.

Diabase or *Trap.*—Dark, fine grained, containing plagioclase and pyroxene as essential constituents. Differs from gabbro in manner of distribution of minerals, which gives it characteristic appearance. Sometimes almost black on rock face and polished surfaces. Very hard.

Basalt.—Agrees with gabbro mineralogically, but is finer grained, gray to black, and sometimes cellular. Occurs as lava flows. Not important. Much jointed.

16*b*. Stratified Rocks.—Stratified rocks are derived from the weathering products of pre-existing rocks and laid down by water or sometimes by wind. They show a stratified or layered structure with texture varying from coarse to fine. The hardness is due to cement (usually iron oxide, silica, or lime carbonate) deposited between the grains, and hence the degree of hardness depends on amount of cementing material. Beds are of variable thickness, hence only the thick bedded ones are of value for dimension stone. Thin bedded ones may be useful for flagging or curbing. Important types are:

Sandstone.—Grains are chiefly quartz of varying size and regularity, bound together by some kind of mineral cement. Color is variable. Varieties are *micaceous* sandstone, with abundant mica scales; *argillaceous* sandstone, containing considerable clay; and *arkose*, containing angular feldspar fragments, usually in abundance.

Conglomerate.—Stratified rock composed of pebbles of rounded character and more or less cemented together. Pebbles may be of different kinds of rocks but quartz ones are common. Conglomerates may grade into sandstones. Not much used for building stone.

Shale.—A thin layered clay rock, formed by consolidation of clay. No value as a building stone. Sometimes f value for making brick, tile, and other burned clay products.

Limestone.—As used in its broadest sense, the term includes rocks which are made up largely of calcite or dolomite, or both. Properly speaking, limestone is applied to the calcite rocks, and dolomite to the dolomitic ones. There is no sharp line of separation between the two. Colors of limestone and dolomite are variable, but white, gray, or black are common; hardness is also variable. Sand and clay are sometimes common impurities. *Texture*—

coarse to fine. Some varieties contain large quantities of shells and other fossils. Flint and pyrite may be present in some.

Varieties of limestone proper are: *chalk*, a soft limestone, of earthy texture and usually white color; *travertine*, a lime carbonate deposit from springs; *coquina*, a loosely cemented shell aggregate; and *onyx*, a dense crystalline form of lime carbonate, deposited usually on the floor of caves by percolating water carrying lime carbonate.

16c. Metamorphic Rocks.—Metamorphic rocks are those formed by a reorganization of preexisting rocks, through the action of pressure, heat, and water. They usually show a crystalline or grained texture, foliated or banded structure, and low porosity. Important types are:

Quartzite.—Hard siliceous rock differing from sandstone in being denser and harder.

Slate.—A clay rock, harder than shale, and possessing a well developed cleavage. *Color*—gray, black, green, red, and purple. *Texture*—very fine.

Marble.—A crystalline limestone or dolomite. Texture and color, variable. May contain silicate minerals, graphite, or other mineral matter scattered through it in grains, streaks, or blotches. Pure marble is white.

Gneiss.—A banded metamorphic rock often having the same mineral composition as granite or sometimes of other igneous rocks. Color is variable.

Schist.—More thinly foliated than gneiss, due usually to an excess of bladed or scaly minerals, such as mica. Is of little value as a building stone.

17. Properties and Testing of Building Stones.—The properties of a stone exert a distinct influence on its uses and durability. There are standarized tests for some.

Texture.—The texture, or the grain of the stone, varies from coarse to fine, or regular to irregular. Uniformity of grain is desirable.

The grains of sandstone are usually rounded but may be angular. The grains of igneous and metamorphic rocks are angular. Limestones are usually fine grained, but may be very coarse if made up largely of shells, or have an oolitic structure. Marbles are apt to show uniform texture though some may have the grains more elongated in one direction than another. Greater elongation in one direction affects the splitting qualities of the stone and should not be overlooked. Texture of marble is affected by mineral impurities and folding. White Alabama marble and Italian Carrara are fine grained, while Georgia marble is coarse grained. Granites show a wide range of texture but do not reach as great a degree of fineness as marbles.

Dale has graded Vermont marbles as follows:

GRAIN DIAMETER

	Maximum average		General average	
	Millimeters	Millimeters	Millimeters	Inches
1. Extra fine	0.2	0.05–0.10	0.06	0.0023
2. Very fine	0.5	0.07–0.16	0.10	0.0039
3. Fine	0.75	0.10–0.25	0.12	0.0047
4. Medium	1.00	0.12–0.31	0.15	0.0059
5. Coarse	1.50	0.20–0.60	0.24	0.0094
6. Extra coarse	2.54	0.30–1.35	0.50	0.0196

Hardness.—The hardness of a rock depends on the state of aggregation of its component mineral grains. A sandstone may be made up entirely of hard quartz grains very loosely cemented, so that the rock is soft. There is no standard test for hardness of stone. It can be tested by measuring its abrasive resistance, or the rate of penetration of a drill.

Color.—Building stones show a variety of colors including white, brown, red, yellow, gray, buff, black, etc. These are sometimes a blend of the colors of the component minerals.

Sandstones owe their color to the character of the cementing material. Limestones, if pure, are white; but carbonaceous matter frequently colors them gray or black. Pure marbles are white. Graphitic material colors them gray or black, while silicate mineral impurities give

them various colors, the latter often being disposed in bands or cloudings. In igneous rocks and gneisses, the color is commonly due to that of the prevailing minerals, as the pink color of orthoclase in many granites. Change of color is common in some rocks but it does not necessarily indicate decay of the stone. Green slates especially may fade; dark limestones may become lighter colored on the surface; some pink granites also fade; sandstones occasionally develop a rusty hue, the Berea grit of Ohio being a well-known case. Some bluish limestones may turn buff on exposure due to the change of the iron in them from the carbonate to the oxide. Atmospheric dust may speedily discolor light stones, such as white marble. A white scum seen on the surface of sandstones is an efflorescence derived from soluble salts. These may come from the stone itself or from the mortar.

Permanence of color can often be gaged by comparison of a fresh surface with a weathered one.

Lighter colored stones are more in demand for general work than dark colored ones, and an otherwise perfectly good stone is sometimes rejected because its color is undesirable.

Polish.—This is affected by the density and character of mineral constituents. Dense stones take a better polish than porous ones. An aggregation of different minerals gives a less continuous polish than a mass of the same minerals. Quartz, feldspar, calcite, and dolomite polish well, hornblende and augite less so, while mica is difficult to polish.

Porosity.—The percentage of pore space varies with different rocks. Granitic rocks, marbles, gneisses, quartzites, and most limestones have low porosity. Sandstone is usually fairly porous; volcanic tuffs, some lavas, and soft limestones may show high porosity.

Porosity may be determined by the following formula:

$$P = \frac{W - D}{W - S}(100)$$

in which P = per cent. porosity, W = saturated weight, D = dry weight, and S = suspended weight of saturated stone. Saturation may be obtained by soaking the stone in water for 24 hr. and then boiling for at least 1 hr.

A fact often overlooked is that the pores of a stone may vary in size and shape. Straight open pores permit ready drainage of absorbed water. Narrow tortuous pores impede it. Two stones of equal porosity might therefore retain absorbed water quite differently because of difference in size and shape of pores.

Stones of high porosity usually show high absorption, but not necessarily low frost resistance. Some of high porosity may show low absorption because of low permeability, the latter being influenced by ease with which the water can pass from one pore to another.

The following figures give the range of porosity for several kinds of building stones from different regions.

	Wisconsin	Missouri	Ontario
Granites	0.19–0.62	0.255–1.452	0.066–15.88
Limestones	0.55–13.36	0.32–13.38	4.947–17.517
Sandstones	4.81–28.28	7.01 –23.77	0.201– 0.628

Absorption.—This refers to the amount of water that a stone will absorb when immersed under atmospheric pressure and should not be confused with porosity. While stones of low porosity can absorb little water and others with high porosity may absorb much water, the aborption does not stand in a constant direct relation to the porosity. Moreover, the water absorbed by cold immersion under atmospheric pressure does not usually completely fill the pores.

Dense rocks like granites, gneisses, slates, marbles, quartzites, and many limestones, usually show a low absorption, often under 1 %. Others including many sandstones, some mestones, and many lava or tuff rocks may absorb from 2 % up to perhaps 15 % of water.

To test the absorption, a piece of the stone is thoroughly dried at 110 deg. C., weighed, and then immersed in water for 48 hr., after which it is weighed again. The increase in weight represents the weight of water absorbed, and the percentage of absorption is calculated in terms of the original dry weight. Immersing the stone under a vacuum is sometimes advocated, but this gives misleading results as it causes the stone to absorb more water than it normally would.

The quantity absorbed under different conditions does not always show great variation in dense rocks, but may vary considerably in porous ones.

The following tests by Parks give the average ratios of absorption for different rocks under different conditions.

Kind	One hour immersion	Two hours immersion	Slow immersion	Vacuum immersion	Immersion under pressure
Average of 10 sandstones	2.411	2.665	3.552	4.090	4.518
Average of 16 granites.	0.232	0.243	0.298	0.371	0.404
Average of 10 marbles.	0.095	0.103	0.117	0.133	0.147

As a building stone in use absorbs water under atmospheric pressure, and usually only from one side, even the ordinary form of testing is liable to make the stone absorb more water than it would in use.

Permeability.—Water will permeate stone even though of low porosity, resulting sometimes in discoloration by the liquid carrying coloring materials. It has been found that the permeability does not stand in any direct relation to the porosity, as shown by the following table:

Stone	Porosity per cent.	Permeability. C.c. of water passing through 3 mm. plate in 1 hr. under 15-lb. pressure per sq. in.
Guelph limestone	15.883	90.5
Guelph limestone	14.62	155.1
Chazy sandstone	17.517	2.25
Medina sandstone	10.44	2130.00
Niagara limestone	10.443	12.75
Beekmantown limestone	1.313	0.72
Potsdam limestone	4.947	1.75

In every case the permeability gradually decreased.

Stone may be tested for permeability by cutting slices of the stone 3 mm. thick in a direction at right angles to the bedding. Water is then forced through these under a pressure of 15 lb. per sq. in., and the amount of flow in 1 hr. recorded.

Quarry Water.—Rocks in the ground contain more or less water in their pores. Quarrymen call this quarry water and it is necessary on removal of stone from quarry to let this water dry out, or allow the stone to "season." Drying out of the quarry water, especially that from the smallest pores, is accompanied by the deposition of the dissolved mineral matter which it contains. This makes the rock often appreciably harder. Its effect is most pronounced in the case of porous sandstones and limestones.

A stone should not be allowed to freeze during seasoning as the quarry water freezing within its pores may cause it to split. Slate must be split before the quarry water dries out, and many stones carve much easier before seasoning, which in some cases makes the stone appreciably harder.

The working faces in some quarries are sometimes protected during the freezing season either by covering the face, or filling the quarry with water.

Since quarry water travels more readily along the rift or bedding, placing a block on edge with one side in sand, often prevents disintegration by freezing.

Strength.—The strength of a stone is governed: (1) by the rock structure, such as rift, cleavage, and bedding; (2) by the hardness of the grains; and (3) by the state of aggregations, as whether interlocked or cemented, and in the latter case by the nature of the cement.

Many tests have shown that most building stones have 2 to 10 times the crushing strength required in any structure where they will be used.

The minimum strength permissible can be determined only by a trained engineer or architect, and while few cases of yielding due to crushing are observed, failures due to stresses applied in other ways are not uncommon.

Crushing Strength.—Buckley states that the stone at the base of the Washington monument sustains a pressure of 314.6 lb. per sq. in., and that, in the tallest buildings the maximum pressure at the base is not more than half of this. Assuming, as a wide factor of safety, that a stone should have 20 times this strength, a resistance of 3146 lb. per sq. in. will answer all ordinary requirements.

Almost any reputable stone may be used in the construction of ordinary walls, but all may not be suitable for special architectural elements, as pillars, or railroad piers which may not only have to sustain a very great weight, but also be subject to jars.

Stones of high crushing strength are in general denser and heavier than those of low crushing strength, and hence more durable, but there are not a few exceptions to the last.

Most building stones show a loss in crushing strength after freezing. Tests for crushing stones are made upon cubes of the stone, preferably of 2-in. size.

The following table gives the crushing strength of a number of different kinds:

Kind	Locality	Crushing strength, lb. per sq. in.	
		Fresh	Frozen
Granite	Athelstone, Wis.	19,988	10,619
Granite	Montello, Wis.	38,244	35,045
Granite	Brockville, Ont.	26,209	24,634
Gneiss	Hall, Ont.	33,453	32,271
Limestone	Duck Creek, Wis.	24,522	28,392
Limestone	Sturgeon Bay, Wis.	35,970	20,777
Limestone	Thebault, Ont.	17,604	17,600
Sandstone	Presque Isle, Wis.	5,495	5,930
Sandstone	North Carolina	10,322	6,625
Sandstone	Perth, Ont.	31,793	28,912
Sandstone	Pembroke, Ont.	9,539	10,673

Following is the range showing by several classes of stones:

State	Kind	Range, lb. per sq. in.
Missouri	Limestone	5,714—27,183 on bed
Missouri	Limestone	5,774—25,577 on edge
Missouri	Sandstone	4,371—9,002 on bed
Missouri	Sandstone	3,933— 9,200 on edge
Missouri	Granite	18,236—19,410
Wisconsin	Igneous rocks	15,009—47,674
Wisconsin	Limestone	6,675—42,787 on bed
Wisconsin	Limestone	7,508—50,453 on edge
Wisconsin	Sandstone	4,340—13,669 on bed
Wisconsin	Sandstone	1,763—12,566 on edge
Iowa	Limestone	2,470—16,435
Iowa	Sandstone	3,600—13,900

For working compressive strength of stone masonry, see Appendix *I*.

Transverse Strength.—The transverse strength is not necessarily related to the crushing strength. Following are the ranges shown by several classes of stone:

Kind	Modulus of rupture		
	Wisconsin	Missouri	Ontario
Granite	2324.3–3909.7	.....	1546–3382
Limestone	1164.3–4659.2	851.30–3311.6	817–4291
Sandstone	362.9–1324.0	418.61–1321.76	417–2186
	.....	.....	1891–3734

Elasticity.—Buckley gives the following figures showing modulus of elasticity in Wisconsin stones:

	Average	Minimum	Maximum
Granites and rhyolities	1,111,000	156,000	2,070,000
Limestones	786,000	31,500	1,835,700
Sandstones	165,000	32,000	400,800

Shearing Strength—Shearing is a form of stress likely to be brought to bear on stone in some parts of buildings. Three granites tested showed a shearing strength of from 1742 to 2872 lb. per sq. in.; three sandstones ranged from 992 to 1383; and two marbles gave 1163 to 1554.

Frost Resistance.—Alternate heating and cooling of a stone causes expansion and contraction, which may be detrimental to it, but if the stone is dry the injury is insignificant. With water present in the pores, the effects may be quite different. When water freezes it expands, and if this water is imprisoned in the pores of the stone, it may exert sufficient internal pressure to split it, and so since the amount of water which may be present in a stone is related to the pore space, its resistance to frost is closely connected with that of porosity.

The frost resistance of a stone depends on: (1) whether or not the pores are full of water at the time freezing occurs; (2) the shape and size of the pores, large and straight pores either allowing the water to drain off rapidly before it does any damage, or else permitting the ice to force its way outward thus relieving internal pressure; and (3) the amount of pore space, for the higher the percentage, provided the pores are of equal size and the degree of saturation equal, the greater the damage from freezing.

Pores may be of two kinds, capillary and sub-capillary, the latter remaining filled under ordinary draining. Under normal conditions, only a small proportion of the sub-capillary pores become filled with water and the worst possible condition would be represented by the complete filling of these. So a stone with a large proportion of fine pores is more liable to be injured by freezing. Therefore, the ratio between fine pore space and total pore space, gives a factor in judging the ability of a stone to withstand frost. Hirschwald obtains this factor as follows:

A dried and weighed test-cube is immersed in water for from 1 to 2 hr. if the stone is to be used above ground, and for from 2 to 30 days if the stone is to be used below the ground. The increased weight of cube represents the fine pore space that would be filled under worst possible natural conditions. Next the cube is completely saturated by immersion under vacuum or strong atmospheric pressure, and weighed again. The quotient obtained by dividing the increase representing the fine pores by the increase representing the total pores gives the proportion of fine pore space to total pore space and is termed the *saturation coefficient*. If the quotient is greater than 0.9, there is danger of the stone being injured by frost, but if less than 0.9 no injury can result.

Parks in carrying out the above tests on a series of Ontario stones for work above ground, found that the saturation coefficient for granites and gneisses ranged from 0.67 to 0.8; seven marbles ranged from 0.44 to 0.94, the finer grained types giving higher results than coarse grained ones; sandstones ranged from 0.21 to 0.57, while the limestones varied from 0.11 to 0.91.

The usual but unsatisfactory method of testing frost resistance consists in thoroughly drying a cube of stone and then weighing, after which it is soaked in water for 36 hr. It is then subjected to 40 alternate freezings and thawings. Following this the stone is dried and reweighed. Loss in weight indicates particles chipped off by freezing.

Fire Resistance.—Building stones often suffer serious injury when exposed to fire, or the combined effects of fire and water. Stone expands when heated and contracts when cooled, but the amount for a bar 1 ft. long, heated 1 deg., is exceedingly small, granite for example expanding 0.000004825 in. per ft. for each degree. When subjected to fire, a stone is rapidly heated and expanded, and if doused with water undergoes equally rapid cooling and contraction. Moreover, stones are poor conductors of heat, hence the exterior of a large block may be quite hot, while the interior is still cool, thus setting up stresses which disrupt the stone. Few stones have good fire resistance as witnessed by their spalling off during conflagrations. However, some stand up better than others. Rocks of close fabric, interlocked grains, and simple mineral composition seem to show the best resistance. Tests by McCourt indicated that most stones were fairly resistant up to 550 deg. C. At 850 deg. C. all were more or less injured; granites and gneisses spalled and cracked; sandstones parted along the bedding planes, a few developing cross fractures; limestones were little injured up to temperature of calcination but after that failed badly; marbles developed cracks before the calcination temperature was reached.

In testing for fire resistance, a cube of stone of not less than 3 or 4-in. size is employed, smaller sizes giving unreliable results as the stone gets heated through too readily. Pairs of cubes are heated to 550 and 850 deg. C., respectively, one of each pair being allowed to cool slowly, the other cooled rapidly by being plunged into cold water. A fifth cube is exposed to a large flame blast for 5 min., allowed to cool in air for 1 min., and again blasted, this alternation being repeated until the stone cracks. A sixth cube is alternately exposed to the action of the blast and a stream of cold water. All damage to the cubes is noted.

Abrasive Resistance.—This property depends on the state of aggregation of the mineral particles and in part on their individual hardness. Different stones wear very differently, and one of uneven hardness may wear in very irregular manner. The use of stones in steps or even floors of public buildings where there is much passing, serves well to bring out their resistance to abrasion.

Abrasion may also be caused by wind blown sand and dust and the effects of this will sometimes smooth or polish rocks as hard as quartzite.

It is not uncommon to find uneven marble floors due to the fact that tiles of uneven hardness set side by side have worn down very unevenly.

A common method of testing abrasive resistance consists in laying a slab of this stone to be tested on a grinding table, weighting it down, and applying emery or some other abrasive at a given rate while the table revolves a certain number of times. The stone is weighed before and after the test and the loss in weight noted. An objection to this method is the difficulty of feeding the abrasive uniformly under the test piece.

A second suggested method consists in forcing sand through a 6-cm. opening under a dry steam pressure of 3 atmospheres for 2 min. The stone to be tested is held immediately over the opening. This test is supposed to determine not only the extent to which the stone will be abraded under the given conditions, but also brings out irregularities in hardness.

Specific Gravity and Weight per Cubic Foot.—The apparent specific gravity of a rock may differ from the specific gravity of its component minerals, the former being influenced by the porosity. A rock of high porosity will have a low apparent specific gravity.

Bowles gives the following figures illustrative of the above:—Friable sandstone: specific gravity, 1.825; weight per cubic foot, 113.1 lb.; ratio of absorption, 1.8. Quartzite: specific gravity, 2.729; weight per cubic foot, 170.6 lb.; ratio of absorption, 1.566.

Softening Effect of Water.—The cementing material of some stones, such as sedimentary ones, may be softened by contact with water. The degree to which the stone is affected is

taken as an index of its durability. By determining the tensile strength of a dry piece and one that has been soaked for 28 days, and dividing the latter by the former we obtain the softening coefficient.

Corrosion by Gases.—Both oxygen and carbon dioxide when brought in contact with stone through the medium of moisture, may cause corrosion. Oxygen will cause the change of pyrite to limonite, or the rusting of other iron minerals. Carbon dioxide causes slow superficial disintegration at least by solution of carbonate compounds. Sulphurous fumes may be more injurious than those of carbon dioxide. Tests along these lines, carried on for several weeks or months, give measurable results.

The test for corrosion may be carried out as follows: Cubes of approximately 1-in. size may be used, dried at 110 deg. C., carefully weighed, and the exact superficial area determined. They are then suspended by threads in a bottle of distilled water into which a stream of carbonic acid gas is conducted. The water is renewed every few days and the treatment continued for 4 weeks. At the end of this time the specimens are removed, washed in distilled water, carefully rubbed with the finger tips to remove loose particles, thoroughly dried, and weighed. The loss in weight denotes amount of damage caused by the carbonic acid gas and may be expressed in grains per square inch of surface exposed.

Microscopic Examination of Stone.—Microscopic examination as an aid to the study of building stone, has received considerable emphasis in recent years. Such an examination should be made by one familiar with the subject and may give valuable information regarding structural defects likely to cause trouble, the cause of differences in workability of two stones, the presence of injurious minerals not easily seen with the naked eye, etc.

Sonorousness.—This test is specially applied to marbles and slates. When a good slate or sound dense piece of marble in form of a slab is suspended, it gives a clear sound when struck with a hard object. Mica slates are usually more sonorous than clay slates. Solid massive marbles are more sonorous than brecciated ones.

Special Tests for Slate.—All of the tests previously referred to may be applied to slate, but certain ones may be applied because of certain special uses to which it is put. These are as follows:

Cleavability.—This is to determine the ease and smoothness with which the slate cleaves. It should be determined by a good workman using a thin chisel with a 2-in. edge.

Character of Cleavage Surface.—In general, the smoother the surface the better, as it gives less chance for lodgment of injurious materials. Its smoothness may be examined with a hand lens. A good slate also, when scaled along cleavage, should show thin chips with translucent edges. Most good slates show little or no observable texture to the naked eye.

Presence of Lime Carbonate.—This is determined roughly by treating the slate with dilute hydrochloric acid. A slate with high lime carbonate content is generally less durable.

Presence of Magnetite.—To roughly determine this an inch cube may be pulverized, and tested with a magnet. For electrical purposes slate with magnetite is undesirable.

Toughness or Elasticity.—This is tested by measuring the deflection when a slate is placed on supports 22 in. apart, and pressure applied from above.

Corrodibility.—The resistance to corrosion is determined by immersing a weighed piece of slate in a solution consisting of 98 parts water, 1 part sulphuric acid, and 1 part hydrochloric acid. After soaking 40 hr., the stone is dried and weighed, the loss in weight being noted.

Special Tests for Marble.—In addition to the usual tests that may be applied to all building stones, the following are specially used for marbles:

Porosity.—A sawed block 2 × 1 × 1 in. is thoroughly dried out and then immersed for 48 hr. in a concentrated 4% alcoholic solution of nigrosine, a deep blue dye soluble in alcohol. After drying for half an hour the blocks are split with hammer and chisel, and the degree of porosity is indicated by the extent to which the color has penetrated the blocks.

This test is important because of the frequent combination of metals and marbles on exposed faces. The oxidation of the metal yields coloring compounds which may be absorbed by the marble.

Translucence.—The marble is cut into thin slabs and the degree to which it transmits light may be determined by ordinary photometric methods. Marbles show great differences in their light transmitting capacity, and this effects their translucence. Few marbles have been tested in this manner. The best Pentellic marble allowed light to penetrate 0.59 in., Parian marble, 1.37 in., Carrara statuary marble, 1.18 to 1.57 in.

Statuary Test.—Marble for statuary purposes should be inspected on a dull day with a good light, the surface examined being wet. It should show uniform texture, fine grain, and freedom from veins and discoloration.

Durability of Stone.—This is a question of great practical importance. No stones are of eternal lasting power but some withstand the weathering agents for several centuries while others show signs of decay in a few years or even in a few months. The factors governing durability are: (1) physical and mineralogical characters of the stone; (2) climatic conditions; and (3) location in building. Much valuable information can be obtained by observing stones in buildings long exposed to weather or the weathered surface in quarries.

Julien, as a result of observation on buildings in New York City, gives the life of different stones in that climate as follows:

Kind	Life in years, or length of time before repairs are necessary
Coarse brownstone	5 to 15
Fine laminated brownstone	20 to 50
Compact brownstone	100 to 200
Nova Scotia sandstone, untried	50 to 200 perhaps
Ohio sandstone (best siliceous variety) perhaps from one to many centuries	
Coarse fossiliferous limestone	20 to 40
Fine oölitic (French) limestone	30 to 40
Marble, coarse dolomitic	40
Marble, fine dolomitic	60 to 80
Marble, fine	50 to 100
Granite	75 to 200
Gneiss, 50 yr. to many centuries.	

A stone for interior work does not require the weather resistance of one for outside work. Stone for exterior use meets different conditions whether used above or below ground, or even whether exposed in a vertical surface where water drains off rapidly, or in a horizontal surface where it can accumulate.

The changes produced in a building stone are those incident to ordinary weathering and may be of either physical or chemical nature. Among these, frost action is as a rule the most destructive, searching out the most minute cracks and causing the chipping or flaking off of pieces of rock. The Connecticut brownstone so extensively used in former years in the eastern cities and usually set in the building on edge, often shows serious injury from frost. Warmth and humidity are also potent agents of weathering.

Certain structural irregularities, like grains or lumps of pyrite, veins of calcite, fossil shells, and even chert nodules may hasten the decay of a stone.

In the quarry the rock adjacent to weathered joints is often sufficiently altered to require rejection.

Acid gases in the atmosphere, coming in contact with limestones or marbles, or sandstones containing calcareous cement, also work for the slow destruction of the stone. In the latter case, sulphuric acid gases attacking carbonates may form soluble sulphates, which are brought to the surface as the wet stone dries out. There they may form a white scum on the surface or if the salts crystallize in the pores of the stone just below the surface, a scaling off of the stone is likely to follow.

18. Styles of Dressing Stone.—*Rubble* is stone of all shapes and sizes that is laid up with little or no regularity. Walls laid up this way are known as rubble work. *Coursing* stone is a term applied when the wall is laid up in tiers or courses. The stones may or may not be cut to equal length to resemble brick work. *Random coursing* refers to walls built up of rectangular and bedded blocks of various sizes. *Dimension stone* properly applies to stone cut to size.

The recognized methods of surfacing are: (1) *rock face*—natural broken surface of the stone; (2) *pointed face*—surface dressed comparatively flat by means of the point; (3) *hammered face*—surface made plane by hammering with patent hammers of different kinds; (4) *ribbed* or *tooth chiseled*—surface obtained by using a wide flat-toothed chisel, or more often produced by machinery, a common type of finish for many soft stones; (5) *sand finished*—produced by rubbing a surface smooth with sand, often applied to marble for exterior work.

19. Dressing Machines—*Gang Saw.*—Used for cutting large blocks up into slabs. Consists of an upright rectangular frame with a large post of wood or steel at each corner. Suspended

from this and free to swing between the posts, is a horizontal steel sash which can be raised or lowered. The sash is given a sawing motion by means of a pitman, which in turn is operated by a belt-driven crank attached to a fly wheel. The saws, which are bands of soft steel 3 in. wide and $\frac{3}{8}$ in. thick, are stretched between the head pieces of the sash, and held in position by keys. The spacing of the saws determines the thickness of the slabs cut. During operation a continuous supply of sand and water is fed over the stone and it is the sharp sand which cuts the stone. The overflow is caught in a hopper below the block, and used over again. The above type is generally used for marble and limestone. For granite and hard sandstone a modified form of structure is used, the saw blades are heavier and notched on the edge, and chilled shot or crushed steel is the abrasive.

At one Vermont marble mill the standard saws will cut a block 10 ft. long, 6 ft. wide, and 6 ft. high. At another mill, saws working on blocks of marble 6 ft. long, sink 1 in. per hour.

Rubbing Bed.—This consists essentially of a revolving steel plate or table from 4 to 14 ft. in diameter, and driven at a rate of 44 to 48 revolutions per minute. A wooden box surrounding the plate prevents scattering of sand and water. The stone is placed face down on the rubbing bed and weighted. A cross bar above the table also holds it stationery. Sand and water are supplied during the operation.

Planing Machines.—In these the stone is moved to and fro on a horizontal bed, while it is subjected to the cutting of grooves, channels, or cornices.

Lathes.—These are used for turning columns or other round work. The cutting is usually done with a fixed chisel, but in granite work, the chisel is replaced by a steel disc set obliquely against the stone and rotating with it.

Gritting and Polishing Machines.—These give the stone further treatment after the rubbing bed. The machines vary in weight and rigidity according to class of work. Marble gritters and polishers differ in character of abrasive and speed of rotation. With granite, the head or polishing surface is quite different from that used for marble.

The machine consists of a horizontally rotating disc to which different types of head can be attached. The upright spindle and disc are rotated at the end of a jointed adjustable arm so that the polishing surface may be moved over all parts of the stone. For marble gritting the heads are 12 in. diameter, with blocks of abrasives attached in a radial manner on the under side. Finer grades are used as polishing proceeds. Scotch hone is used for final operation, operating at 200 r.p.m. Polishers or buffers have felt heads about 20 in. in diameter, operating at 400 r.p.m. Putty powder produces the gloss.

Diamond Saw.—This is used for making single cuts. There are several types but all consist essentially of a steel disc in the margin of which a number of carbons are mounted.

Carborundum Machines.—Carborundum wheels are extensively used in marble finishing shops for curved work, moldings, cornices, balusters, etc. The carborundum wheel is first set in a lathe, and with a steel tool cut to shape of negative of pattern desired. The wheel is then placed on a shaft and marble block on the machine bed travels beneath it. Balusters are turned out quicker this way than on lathes. A Vermont company completes in 1 hr. a baluster $3\frac{1}{2}$ ft. long and 6 in. greatest diameter. Carborundum saws are also used in fluting marble columns.

20. Properties, Distribution, and Uses of the Most Important Building Stones.

20*a*. Igneous Rocks.—Many kinds are used in structural work. Among the harder denser ones, the granites find greatest favor because of abundance, lighter color, and structural features in the quarry. Syenites and diorites are rare and in little demand. They possess no advantage over granite. Gabbros are too dark to suit most architects but occasionally are of value for decorative purposes. Diabase is hard and not usually obtainable in large blocks, but has been used for paving.

The volcanic rocks, including many lavas and tuffs, are abundant in the far west and Mexico. They are often porous and soft and adapted for work in a dry climate above ground. The granites deserve special mention.

Granite.—This term is sometimes rather loosely used and may even include gneiss. Diabase and gabbro are sometimes called black granite. Only granites proper are here considered.

They show the following properties: *texture*—coarse to fine, sometimes porphyritic; *color*—red, pink, white, gray, and intermediate shades; *crushing strength*—good, average range 15,000 to 30,000 lb. per sq. in.; *modulus of rupture*—average of a number of tests, 1420 to 2410, another set gave 2480—3382; *elasticity*—rarely tested, one set tested in pieces of 20-in. length, and 5.5 in. diameter at middle showing compression of 0.0108 to 0.0243 in. under load of 5000 lb. per sq. in. with a lateral expansion of from 0.005 to 0.007 in.; *porosity*—always small, and absorption usually under 1%; *fire resistance*—not good, spalls easily under combined effects of fire and cold water; *weight per cu. ft.*—165 to 170 lb.; *specific gravity*—about 2.66, which is equivalent to 2 long tons or 4480 lb.per cu. yd.

Uses.—Granite has a wide variety of uses on account of durability, textural and color variations. Coarser and medium grained varieties are best for massive work, and the finer and even textured ones for monumental and decorative uses. Many take a high and durable polish, and darker ones often give excellent contrast.

Distribution of Igneous Rocks in the United States—Eastern Belt.—Extends from Maine to Georgia. The most productive region of the United States supplying granite of varied color and texture. The quarries of Maine often located along coast where shipments can be made by water. Those of Vinal Haven and Hurricane Island, Me., Barre, Vt., Concord, N. H., Cape Ann, Quincy and Milford, Mass., Stony Creek, Conn., Mount Airy, N. C., and Stone Mountain, Ga., are especially well known. Some, like Port Deposit, Md., have a gneissic structure. Windsor, Vt., supplies a magnificent green granite. The Quincy, Mass. and Westerly, R. I., are noted for monumental work. A variety of gabbro quarried in the Adirondack Mountains of New York is also of ornamental value. Diabase is extensively quarried in the Palisades of the Hudson for road material and paving blocks.

Wisconsin-Minnesota Area.—Many good granites occur in these two states. The Montello of Wisconsin is a splendid red for polished monumental work. St. Cloud and Ortonville, Minn., are likewise well known.

Southwestern Area.—This includes the pink granites of southeastern Missouri, the syenites near Little Rock, Ark., and Wichita and Arbuckle Mountain districts of Oklahoma, and some small areas of excellent granite in Llano and Burnett Counties, Tex.

Cordilleran Area.—This supplies excellent granites in the Sierra Nevada belt of California, and many volcanic rocks adapted for structural work in the area to the east. Granites and gneisses occur in the Rocky Mountains but are little used.

Canada.—The provinces of Quebec, Ontario, and British Columbia contain a number of excellent granites. Some excellent volcanics are also quarried on Vancouver Island.

20b. Sandstones.—*Texture*—ranges from coarse to fine, the former passing into conglomerates and the latter by increase of clay into shale; *hardness*—variable, and dependent on nature and quantity of cement, the strongly cemented, dense siliceous ones being called quartzite; *color*—variable, commonly due to iron cement giving reds, browns, and yellows, while clay or organic matter will often give gray; *absorption*—shows wide range, the hard dense ones like quartzites showing under 1%, while more porous ones run as high as 10%; *mineral impurities*—pyrite and sometimes mica, the latter if abundant along bedding planes, causing stone to split under frost action; *crushing strength*—shows average range of 9000 to 20,000 lb. per sq. in., or higher, but quartzites may run much higher; *transverse strength*—a set of 10 from Ontario showed a modulus of rupture ranging from 417 to 2186 lb. per sq. in.; *specific gravity*—about 2.6; *apparent specific gravity*—from about 1.8 to 2.7; *weight per cu. ft.*—from as low as 113 to as high as 170, depending on porosity; *porosity*—ranges from 2% to over 15%; *fire resistance*—fairly good except in dense stones.

Uses.—These include structural uses, as for dimension block, carved stone, steps, floor tile, paving blocks, grave vaults, concrete, road material, grindstones, glass sand, and silica brick. Some of these, especially the last three, call for stone of special qualities.

Varities.—*Arkose*, composed chiefly of feldspar grains; *Bluestone*, a flagstone much quarried in eastern New York, but the name is applied also to many other bluish gray sandstones; *Brownstone*, a brown sandstone formerly much quarried in Connecticut Valley, but the name has lost its geographic significance; *Freestone*, a sandstone which splits freely and dresses easily;

Graywacke, a hard compact sandstone, composed of grains of feldspar, quartz, slate, and perhaps other minerals with a clayey cement.

Distribution of Sandstones and Quartizites.—Sandstones especially are very widely distributed in many parts of the United States and Canada. The most important in the former is the Berea quarried in northern Ohio and shipped to many points both east and west. Many good ones are quarried in Canada.

20c. Limestones.—*Mineral composition*—may be either calcitic or dolomitic but the two grade into each other; *mineral impurities*—pyrite in many and undesirable on account of its weathering to limonite, chert not uncommon in some but is undesirable because it weathers out as knots and may cause stone to split on exposure to weather, or interfere with drilling, and cutting; *color*—various shades of blue, gray, black, and white; *hardness*—ranges from soft porous ones, like those of Bermuda or Caen, France, easily cut with saw, to dense massive varieties; *texture*—usually fine grained but sometimes coarse; *absorption*—usually under 2% but some may run as high as 10 to 12%; *crushing strength*—shows wide range, a series of 34 Canadian ones running from 8000 to 37,000; *transverse strength*—variable, some being as low as 800 and others as high as 4000, with 2000 about the average modulus of rupture; *fire resistance*—fair, at temperatures below that required to convert the stone into quicklime.

Varieties of Limestone.—*Chalk*—fine white earthy limestone, not of much use for building; *Coquina*—a loosely cemented shell aggregate found near St. Augustine, Fla.; *Dolomite*—a rock containing the mineral dolomite as the chief carbonate; *Hydraulic limestone*—one containing sufficient clayey impurities to be used for making cement; *Oolitic limestone*—one made up of small rounded grains, the Bedford, Ind., limestone and some French ones used for structural work being of this character; *Travertine* or *calcareous tufa*—a porous limestone deposited by spring waters and sometimes sufficiently hard and compact for building—that quarried near Rome, Italy, is exported to the United States for interior work in walls and floors.

Uses.—Limestones are widely used for all kinds of structural and decorative work, the denser harder varieties taking a polish, and sometimes called marble in the trade Much is used for lime and cement, road material, blast furnace flux, and in the chemical industries. There is thus a market often for the waste stone.

Distribution.—Limestones are so widely distributed that few quarrying districts do more than supply a local demand. One exception is the Bedford, Indianna, area whose product is shipped to many points in the United States and Canada. Canada contains many limestone deposits of excellent character. Not a few decorative limestones are imported, these including the Caen, Normandie, and Hauteville stones of France and the Roman travertine.

20d. Marbles.—This term properly includes those limestones and dolomites of crystalline texture, dense character, and susceptibility of taking a good polish. *Mineral composition*—when pure, calcite or dolomite or a mixture of the two—accessory minerals may be graphite or mica, often arranged in patches or bands thus giving a decorative effect—serpentine may be present in some; *mineral impurities*—pyrite found in any kind, tremolite in dolomitic marbles, chert in some; *structure*—this may be massive, banded, or brecciated, the interspaces of the latter often being filled by coloring cement which adds greatly to the stones decorative value; *weathering qualities*—many massive marbles show excellent durability but the presence of bands of mica or other silicates, or brecciated structure detracts from the life of the stone if exposed to a frosty climate; *color*—shows wide range, white, gray, black, red, yellow, brown, pink, etc.; *texture*—from coarse to fine; *absorption*—always low, usually under 1%; *crushing strength*—averages about 15,000 lb. per sq. in. or more; *actual specific gravity*—2.7 to 2.9, dolomite marbles being heavier than calcite ones—marbles weigh from 165 to 180 lb. per cu. ft.

Uses.—Massive, sound marbles of varying texture may be used for ordinary structural work or even coarser carving; fine-grained, even-textured and usually even-colored types for statuary; colored, clouded, banded, and brecciated forms much employed for interior decoration. By matching slabs of banded marble together, highly decorative patterns are sometimes obtained. The massive ones containing only carbonate minerals, usually take a more continuous polish. Slabs are frequently used for floor tiling but the mistake is often made of setting pieces of different abrasive resistance side by side. In localities where there is much passing, the floor rapidly gets uneven.

Distribution in United States.—The Eastern belt, from northern Vermont to Alabama, supplies a great variety of marbles. Noteworthy are the variegated hard siliceous ones of Swanton, widely used for flooring; the white, gray, and green veined, banded, and clouded ones of western Vermont; the pink and brown of Tennessee for flooring, wainscoting, and structural work; and the white coarse texture, as gray and white of Georgia, for structural work, interior decoration, and monuments. Black marbles are quarried in Virginia. Some white and streaked marbles are quarried in Colorado, and white or banded ones in California. Many highly ornamental marbles are quarried in Quebec and also British Columbia.

Serpentine Marble.—Massive rock composed largely of the mineral serpentine, but containing varying quantities of such impurities, as iron oxides, pyrite, hornblende, pyroxene, and carbonates of lime and magnesia. The color is often green or greenish yellow, but others are various shades of black, red, or brown.

It is one of the most decorative stones known but often difficult to obtain in large slabs on account of the frequent and irregular joints in the quarries. Most serpentines are also unsafe for exterior use in a severe climate as they lose their polish and break along the veins that often traverse them. Comparatively little serpentine is quarried in the United States. That from Roxbury, Vt. is one of the best known. Another known as *verdolite* is obtained near Easton, Pa., and others from Maryland and Georgia. Much is imported especially from Greece.

Onyx Marble.—A calcareous rock of crystalline texture, high translucency, and usually ornamented by veins and cloudings of iron oxide. It is much used for special decorative work and is a stone of great beauty. It should not be exposed to the weather or abrasion. Mexico has contributed much onyx to the trade as has also Egypt.

20e. Slate.—Slates are divided into clay slates and mica slates, the latter being the more abundant. These may in turn be subdivided into fading slates of black, green, or purplish color, and unfading ones of black, red, green, or purplish color. Mica slates possess greater strength and elasticity.

Structure—Slaty cleavage is the most important property—bate, or false cleavage is a minute plication resulting in microscopic slips or faults along which the slate breaks easily; *mineral impurities*—pyrite in lumps and grains may be present, and causes rejection of the slate—quartz and calcite veins also are undesirable—magnetite should be absent if the slate is to be used for electrical work. *Color*—as stated above; *texture*—fine grained; *transverse strength*—in best slates, modulus of rupture is 7000 to 10,000 lb. per sq. in.; *elasticity*—as measured by deflection of a slab set on supports 22 in. apart, about 0.27 to 0.313 in.; *specific gravity*—2.7; *absorption*—under 1 %.

Uses.—Thinly cleaving slate is used for roofing. Thick slabs, known as mill stock, are used for stair treads, toilet partitions, shower baths, urinals, floor tile, switchboards, sinks, tubs, blackboards, etc. Roofing slates have usually ranged from ¼ to ⅙ in. in thickness, depending on size, but modern practice has standardized the thickness at $\frac{3}{16}$ in. for commercial grades. Thicker slates are produced for what are known as architectural roofs.

The price and measurement of slate are figured by the square (100 sq. ft.). The number of slates required for a square can be determined by the formula:

$$n = \frac{28{,}800}{bd - bl}$$

in which n = number of slates in square, b = width of slate, d = length of slate, and l = overlap in inches.

Roofing slate is trimmed with the lower edge parallel to the grain.

Although slate makes a durable roofing material, in recent years it has had serious competitors in burned clay tile and various artificial roofing materials, such as asbestos shingles.

Distribution.—Most of the slate quarried in the United States is obtained from the East, Maine, Vermont, New York, Pennsylvania, and Maryland being important producers. Some is obtained from Arkansas and California. The known localities of good slate are limited, for the stone to be salable and durable must meet rather severe requirement. A little is quarried in Canada.

BRICK

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Brick is adapted to a variety of uses in the construction of buildings, being used for exterior and interior walls, for fireproofing, for backing up other materials, and for decorative effects. The possibilities for artistic treatment of wall surfaces are not even limited by the wide range of color and texture of brick, for with the use of a given brick, wide variations in color effect and texture may be obtained by varying the size, design, and color of the mortar joint. For example, a raked out gray mortar joint will not only give a rougher texture to a wall but will also give a darker color effect than if the same mortar be cut flush with the face of the same brick.

The word *brick* as ordinarily used, refers to a block of common clay burned in a kiln, and until comparatively recent years, practically all brick were burned clay brick. Brick, however, is made in which the base is of other material than common clay, and when such brick are referred to, a descriptive prefix should be used in connection with the word brick, such as fire-clay brick, slag-brick, silica-brick, cement-brick, sand-lime brick, etc.

21. Classes of Brick.—Commercially, brick may be divided into two general classes: *building brick* and *refractory brick.*

Building brick are the various kinds of brick commonly employed in construction work, and include such brick as "common" brick, "face" brick, cement brick, sand-lime brick, etc. Paving brick, according to their composition and burning, may fall within this class or under refractory brick.

Refractory brick are designed primarily to meet special conditions of use, such as resistance to the action of fire, and gases at high temperature, etc. They include the various kinds of fire brick, and such special brick as silica, ganister, basic, and chrome brick. These latter find their largest use as linings for various industrial furnaces. The American Society for Testing Materials and the Refractory Brick Manufacturers Association have published detailed descriptions of results of tests, and recommended uses for the various kinds of refractory brick, and the latter Association has issued several illustrated sheets and charts for standards for this type of brick including those of radial shape.

Clay building brick may be broadly classified as *common brick* and *face brick.*

Common brick is the brick most extensively used for the construction of walls, piers, etc.; for backing up stone and terra cotta; and for fireproofing steel and iron. In the East it is usually red—the depth of color, however, depending on the composition of the clay, the method of manufacture, and the degree of burning. In the Middle West common brick is usually yellow; and in other sections of the country, the color varies with the clays which are indigenous.

Face brick are the brick used on the exposed surfaces of walls, piers, etc. Common brick may also be used as a face brick, in which case the best of the bricks are usually selected either at the kiln or from those intended for the solid wall as laid. As the term "face" brick is generally understood, however, through commercial usage, it means a brick especially made or selected for its color, surface texture, regularity or irregularity of its surface as may be required to produce the desired decorative effect on surfaces exposed to view.

22. Color of Brick.—Brick may be obtained in practically any color, the color depending principally on the presence of various chemicals, coloring mater, etc., in the clay. The usual colors are red, buff, gray, iron spot, and manganese spot. Perfectly white brick can be obtained only by the use of surface glazes or enamels, but light gray or cream brick can be produced from various mixtures of clay and chalk or from certain marls.

Among the principal materials affecting the color of the brick are: iron, lime, and magnesia. Oxide of iron produces a bright red; magnesia, a brown; and magnesia and iron, a drab. Mineral coloring matter, especially in connection with dry pressed brick, is sometimes added to the clay. In addition to the colors themselves, the following expressions are in general use: *clear color*—a brick with a clear color and without flash; *fire flashed*—a brick which

has been subjected to a reducing action of the fire, thereby bringing out the iron in the clay and producing darker colors on the faces and heads of the brick than is produced in the interior of the brick.

23. Raw Materials.—The basic materials of which ordinary building brick are made are clay, silicate of alumina or shale, and in smaller and varying quantities, silica (sand or quartz), oxide of iron, lime, and possibly some magnesia, potash, and soda.

For face brick the clay is usually very carefully selected and often several clays of different compositions are mixed to obtain the desired result.

Clay.—Pure clay or kaolin is white and the best qualities are used principally in the manufacture of china and porcelain. The clay used for brickmaking is usually the surface or a lower grade of material. It generally contains sand (silica) and small quantities of iron oxide, lime, and magnesia.

Clay for making vitrified brick should be fusible, plastic, and able to be heated to high temperature without losing its shape.

Shale.—Brick are also made of shale. This is the natural, soft rock from which clay is produced by decomposition. It makes a much harder brick than ordinary clay.

Sand (silica).—Sand, if not normally present in sufficient quantities, is added to the clay to prevent cracking, shrinking, and warping and also to allow a partial vitrification of the material. The larger the proportion of sand, the more uniform in texture and shape will be the brick, but if used in too large a quantity it will cause the brick to be weak and brittle.

Oxide of Iron.—Oxide of iron acts as a flux, increases the hardness, and gives the brick a red color.

Lime.—Lime acts as a flux, and lessens the shrinkage of the brick in drying. The lime should be present in a finely divided state, as lumps of lime constitute a serious defect. An excess of lime will hasten disintegration on exposure to the weather and may also cause the brick to melt and lose their shape in burning.

Magnesia, Potash, and Soda.—These act as a flux in burning, thereby causing the grains of silica to melt and bind the various particles together.

Limonite and Pyrite.—These are among the more common injurious materials sometimes found to be present in the clay. Limonite which is oxidized pyrite, will cause fused blotches or weak spots; and pyrite burns away, leaving flaws.

24. Manufacture of Brick.—Bricks are made by first properly preparing the clay and then molding it to the required shape. After drying until sufficiently hard to be stacked in the kiln, the bricks are submitted to a temperature usually about 2000 deg. F. which converts them into a vitrified or semi-virtrified mass.

The characteristics of brick are largely dependent upon the clay used, the method of manufacture employed, and the degree of burning.

According to the methods employed in making, brick are known as soft-mud brick, stiff-mud brick, dry-pressed brick, repressed brick, machine brick, and hand-made brick.

According to the degree of burning and location in the kiln, common brick are generally known as arch or clinker brick, body, cherry, or hard brick, and salmon, pale or soft brick.

Soft-Mud Brick.—Soft-mud brick are molded either by hand or machine from clay which has been reduced by the addition of water to a soft and plastic mass. Hand-made brick are practically all made by this process.

Stiff-Mud Brick.—In the manufacture of stiff-mud brick only enough water is added to make the clay plastic. This stiff mud is then forced through a die by machinery and is automatically cut to the required size. They are known as *end-cut* or *side-cut*, according as the cut is on the ends or on the sides of the brick. These brick are usually distinguished from soft or pressed in that the cut surfaces have a rough texture and the other surfaces are smooth. They are always machine made and are sometimes known as *wire-cut brick*.

Good brick can be made either by the wet or stiff-mud process and their relative qualities vary in different sections of the country.

Dry-Pressed Brick.—These are sometimes referred to as *pressed brick*. They are machine molded from dampened clay, are practically always used for face work and include the various hydraulic pressed brick.

Repressed Brick.—Usually a stiff-mud brick repressed in a press box before burning. The brick is thereby made much more regular in shape, but with consequent increase in the cost. Soft-mud brick, after being partially dried, are occasionally repressed, a process that greatly improves the form and increases the strength of the brick, but more frequently the term *repressed* refers to a repressed stiff-mud brick. Repressed brick are sometimes incorrectly called *pressed brick*.

Machine-Made Brick.—Any brick not hand made. As all brick may be machine made and as all but soft mud-brick are machine made, the term is indefinite.

Hand-Made Brick.—The soft-mud brick are the only hand-made brick.

Arch or Clinker Brick.—These are the brick which adjoin the firing spaces and being subjected to extreme heat are harder, more irregular in shape and color than any of the others. In some cases they are partly vitrified and almost black in color on one or more faces.

Body, Cherry, or Hard Brick.—These are the most regular in shape and color of the brick taken from the kiln. They are neither over nor under burned and constitute the major portion of the brick from each kiln.

Salmon, Pale, or Soft Brick.—These are underburned, being those remote from the fire. They have not sufficient hardness or strength to warrant their use alone in exposed places, piers, or load-bearing walls involving any considerable weight. They may be used in connection with hard brick for filling and backing up.

The terms salmon and pale refer to the color of the brick and hence are not applicable to a brick made of clay that does not burn red. In most instances, the clay used for making common building brick burns red, but the localities in which this is not the case are sufficiently numerous to make it desirable to use a different term in designating this quality of brick.

Smooth Brick.—A brick of any of the above types having a relatively smooth surface on its face and ends.

Water Struck Brick (slop brick).—A brick of the soft-mud type, the mold having been dipped into water just before being filled with clay. They are usually made by hand and, in any case, are more or less irregular in shape and color, and the surface is comparatively smooth.

Sand-Struck Brick (sanded brick).—A brick, usually of the soft-mud type, coated while molding on its face and ends with sand. The sand is placed in the molds both to prevent the brick from sticking and to give the desired surface effect.

Rough texture Brick.—A brick having an artificially roughed surface. Some are irregular in conformation and others have ridges and valleys extending in a vertical or horizontal direction on exposed faces. The brick is usually but not necessarily, of the stiff-mud, wire-cut type and many of them are given trade names descriptive of the texture.

25. Classification of Brick According to Physical Properties.—The Am. Soc. for Test. Mat. in 1919 adopted the report of Comm. C-3, classifying brick as follows:

According to the results of the physical tests, the brick shall be classified as vitrified, hard, medium, and soft on the basis of the following requirements:

Name of grade	Absorption limits (per cent.)		Compressive strength on edge (lb. per sq. in.)		Modulus of rupture (lb. per sq. in.)	
	Mean of 5 tests	Individual maximum	Mean of 5 tests	Individual minimum	Mean of 5 tests	Individual minimum
Vitrified brick	5 or less	6.0	5000 or over	4000	1200 or over	8000
Hard brick	5 to 12	15.0	3500 or over	2500	600 or over	400
Medium brick	12 to 20	24.0	2000 or over	1500	450 or over	300
Soft brick	20 or over	No limit	1000 or over	800	300 or over	200

The standing of any set of bricks shall be determined by that one of the three requirements in which it is the lowest.

26. Quality and Crushing Strength of Brick.—Theoretically, a brick of the very best quality should be regular and true in shape and free from kiln marks or depression caused by pressure of the brick above it in the kiln. It should be well burned throughout, free from lumps of lime, large pebbles, air bubbles or fissures, of firm compact texture and fairly even in color. It should give a clear ringing sound when struck a sharp blow with a hammer or against another brick.

For many purposes it is not necessary to insist upon a brick possessing all of these qualities, a fairly regular well-burned brick being usually sufficient. The various standards of quality, moreover, depend upon the kind of brick and the method of manufacture employed. A soft-mud brick that would be classed as regular and true in shape would by no means have these qualities to the same degree as a dry-pressed or repressed brick.

The crushing strength of brick is valuable mainly in comparing different brands or makes, and does not represent the strength of the brick masonry, as this strength is dependent on the strength of the mortar and care in laying, as much as on the strength of the brick. Consequently, the crushing strength of the brick is relatively not of great importance unless the mortar used is practically as strong as the brick, as would be the case with the use of cement or strong cement-lime mortar (for tests on *brick* and *brick piers*, see Appendix, *G*). Maximum safe loads for brick masonry are given in Appendix *I*.

27. Size of Brick.—There is no legal size for brick in this country, with the result that there has been a wide variation, not only in the size of the brick made in different sections of the country, but often by different manufacturers in the same locality. During comparatively recent years, however, different associations, societies, etc., interested in the use of brick and in the standardizing of building materials have adopted standard sizes for the various kinds of brick.

It must be understood that these standard sizes are based on the size of an average burned brick and are intended to represent close approximate or average sizes rather than absolute fixed dimensions to which no variation is allowed. Any layout which allows for ample jointing will take care of small variations in size. In burning, the brick shrinks from the size in which it was molded; and since the exact amount of the shrinkage depends on the composition and kind of raw materials and on the degree of burning, it is commercially impractical to make every brick, even with same method of manufacture, of exactly the same size. The harder burned brick will average smaller than the softer or underburned brick, and clay from different portions of the same clay bank will sometimes vary in the amount of shrinkage.

Size of building and face brick.—The Am. Face Brick Asso. in 1918, the Common Brick Mfgs. in 1920, and the Am. Soc. for Test. Mat. in 1920, adopted a size of $2\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4} \times 8$ in. as the standard size for both building and face brick.

Size of Roman brick.—The Nat. Brick Mfgs. Asso. in 1889 adopted a size of $1\frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 12$ in. for Roman brick.

Size of Norman brick.—The Nat. Brick Mfgs. Asso. adopted a size of $2\frac{3}{4} \times 4 \times 12$ in. for Norman brick.

Size of paving brick.—The Am. Soc. for Municipal Improvements in 1918 adopted a size of $3\frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 8\frac{1}{2}$ in. for all paving brick. A variation of over $\frac{1}{8}$ in. in width and depth, and $\frac{1}{2}$ in. length is not allowed.

Size of enameled brick.—The usual sizes of enameled brick as listed by some of the largest manufacturers are as follows:

Standard size	$2\frac{1}{4} \times 4 \times 8\frac{1}{4}$ in.
Roman size	$1\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{7}{8} \times 11\frac{5}{8}$ in.
English size	$2\frac{7}{8} \times 4\frac{3}{8} \times 8\frac{7}{8}$
Norman size	$2\frac{1}{4} \times 4 \times 11\frac{3}{4}$ in.
Split size	$1\frac{1}{8} \times 4 \times 8$ in.

28. Sand Lime Brick.—Sand lime brick are made from an intimate mixture of sand and lime, and are of two classes—lime mortar brick in which the cementing material is carbonate of lime, and sand-lime brick in which silicate of lime forms one of the cementing materials.

Lime-mortar brick is the older form of sand-lime brick and was only used in a small way even where sand and lime were cheap and clay brick were scarce. It is virtually a lime mortar, molded into the shape of a brick, hardened in the open air in connection with carbon dioxide either with or without pressure. The brick are sometimes weak and friable and have not given entire satisfaction.

Sand-lime brick are made from an intimate mixture of sand or granular silicate and hydrated calcium lime. These two materials are mixed in the porportion of about 6 to 10 parts of sand to 1 of hydrated lime, molded in a press and hardened in a large cylinder filled with steam at 100 to 150-lb. pressure.

The bonding is the result of the formation of calcium silicate, calcium magnesium silicate, or calcium hydro-silicate due to the action of the steam upon the sand.

This form of sand-lime brick is the only one to which the term now applies.

The natural color of sand-lime brick is white or light gray varying to some extent according to the color of the sand used. Other colors may be obtained by the use of inert mineral oxides, but these affect the quality of the brick, in proportion to the quantity of the coloring material required.

The quality of sand-lime brick depends largely on the proper selection of the sand and lime, and upon care in manufacture. The sand should be pure silica sand containing a large proportion of fine grains. Clay or kaolin tends to weaken the brick and not more than 10% should be permitted.

Sand-lime brick have sharp edges, are straight and should be of uniform size, composition, and density. In physical appearance and quality they can be made to resemble dry-pressed brick but the quality maintained by the various manufacturers has not always been uniform and the brick have frequently not averaged as strong as the ordinary clay building brick. They have also been deficient in resistance to frost and weather. It is therefore necessary to exercise special care in the selection of the manufacturer. The bricks also should be very carefully handled to avoid crumbling of the edges.

Technology Paper No. 85 of the Bureau of Standards published in 1919, on the "Manufacture and Properties of Sand-Lime Brick" gives a complete description of this product.

29. Cement Brick.—Cement bricks are used only in a few sections of the country and to a comparatively small extent. They are made either by hand or by machine, and are similar in composition and qualities to cement building blocks. Portland cement and sand, or sand and gravel or crushed stone, mixed in the proportion of 1 part cement to 4 parts sand or 1 part cement to 3 parts sand and 3 parts gravel or crushed stone passing a ½-in. and rejected by a ¼-in. mesh screen are the usual proportions of the materials employed.

Coloring matter is sometimes mixed with the cement and sand. Various textures and colors can be obtained by the use of different aggregates and by brushing the surface with water or acid before the cement has set.

30. Slag Brick.—Slag brick are made from a mixture of basic slag and slaked lime. The silica in the slag usually ranges from 22 to 35 %, the alumina and iron oxide together from 16 to 21 % and the lime from 40 to 51 %. In the manufacture, the granulated slag is dried and pulverized and the powdered slaked or hydrated lime is added, usually with a small amount of water. This mixture is then molded into shape either by hand or by machine and dried for from 6 to 10 days in the open air.

31. Fire Clay Brick.—In the manufacture of fire clay brick, certain clays, one of which is a plastic clay serving as a skeleton for the brick, are heated until partial vitrification occurs. The principal kinds of brick in the manufacture of which fire clay plays an important part are *fire brick, paving brick, acid-proof brick, and glazed brick.*

32. Fire Brick.—Fire Bricks are used for the linings of fire places, back hearths, boiler stacks, linings of fire boxes in heating and power boilers, and wherever resistance to the effects of high temperature is a prime consideration.. They are generally made of a mixture of flint and plastic clay, are white or white and brown in color, and are graded as first and second quality. The *first* grade has the higher fuse point, is softer, and of less compressive strength than the *second* grade.

The expansion and contraction of fire brick is dependent upon the relative proportions of silica to alumina, and most of these brick contain sufficient alumina to show some contraction.

33. Paving Brick or Blocks.—A very hard ordinary clay brick is sometimes referred to and used as a paving brick, but the brick or blocks here described are made from a mixture of the more siliceous shales (a fine-grained indurated clay) and fire clay. These are crushed and screened, molded or cut to the required size and shape, are dried, and then burned for from 7 to 10 days at a temperature from 1500 deg. F. to a point of vitrification, and annealed or toughened by slow cooling. In this way, a tougher, denser, and stronger brick is made than is possible with ordinary clay or kaolin.

A vitrified block, larger than the ordinary brick, is made especially for street paving and is commonly referred to as a brick paving block.

Paving brick or blocks are made with plane faces and also with projections so designed that there will always be a space between the faces of the brick when laid. Some machines cut the brick with lugs on one side and grooves on the other, and others repress the brick, forming lugs, grooves, rounded edges, etc., by the die in repressing.

A No. 1 paving brick or block should be thoroughly annealed, tough and durable, regular in size and shape, and evenly burned. They should not be smoked or fire flashed, and when broken should show a dense, stone-like body free from lime, air-pockets, cracks, or marked laminations.

Vitrified paving brick while primarily designed for street paving are also used to some extent in connection with building, being adapted for use for floors, for wainscotings in industrial buildings, and even for special decorative effects.

34. Enameled Brick.—The body of an enameled brick usually of fire clay is coated on one or two sides with an opaque enamel.

There are two methods of applying enamel. According to one, the enamel is applied directly to the face of the brick; and with the other, the more common method in this country, a transparent glaze is applied over a white or colored "slip," the slip coming between the glaze and the face of the brick.

Enameled brick may be obtained in white and a large number of colors, and in two surface finishes—*highly glazd* and *deull* or *satin glaze*. They are used for face work both for interior and exterior walls, especially where

reflection of light, such as in light courts and shafts, and where cleanliness are prime considerations. They are also used to a considerable extent for facing tunnels, engine and boiler rooms, store fronts, etc., but should never be placed where dampness is liable to attack them from the back.

The term *glazed* and *enameled* are sometimes both used to refer to the opaque enameled brick. The true glazed brick, however, is also referred to as *salt glazed*.

35. Glazed Brick.—Glazed brick are made of a fire clay containing feldspar, flint and whiting, and may be obtained in various shades. They are fired at a high temperature until the surface is coated with a transparent glass or glaze. In the manufacture of salt glazed brick, salt is introduced into the kiln during the process of burning.

Salt glazed brick are used to a considerable extent for facing areas, garages, market houses, dairies, domestic science rooms, wainscotings, for face brick work, etc., and being non-absorbent, smooth, and easily cleaned, are especially adapted wherever cleanliness and sanitary conditions are of prime importance.

36. Patented Interlocking Brick.—There have been placed on the market in recent years, several types of interlocking brick, providing in walls, a series of isolated air spaces which serve as temperature and moisture insulators. Their makers claim for them a heat transmission ability of from 40 to 60 % less than frame, or 25 to 50 % less than solid brick or hollow-tile construction.

No ties or headers are necessary or used with this brick; except at openings and corners, etc. Plastering is usually recommended to be applied directly to the inside surface, without furring, in which case it is necessary to exercise special care at openings and use calking and waterproofing. These brick are either 8 or 12 in. wide and about 8 × 2¼ in. on tne face and, as laid, each brick represents the full thickness of the wall. Webs made integral with the brick hold the inner and outer walls together. Offsets on upper and lower surfaces hold the bricks in alignment, laying in mortar being done in various manners claimed to result in a less consumption than with solid walls. The standard brick should be laid in running bond. English, Flemish, or Dutch bond may be had by using special cut brick, but the cost of these is higher.

STRUCTURAL TERRA COTTA OR HOLLOW BUILDING TILE

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Structural terra cotta is variously known as hollow tile, hollow terra cotta, hollow building tile, terra cotta tile or blocks, etc. On account of its adaptability to a larger variety of uses, its lightness combined with great transverse strength, its fireproof qualities, its resistance to atmospheric conditions, and its general availability, it has become a widely used building material. It is both well adapted and largely used for the construction of floor arches, roof slabs, suspended ceilings, interior partitions, light exterior walls, furring, and fireproofing of steel and iron.

37. Manufacture.—The basic raw material of structural terra cotta is clay or a mixture of several clays, to which for the more porous varieties is added sawdust or fine coal. The clay after being mixed with water is molded or shaped; usually by forcing the plastic mass through a die, then dried and burned at at high temperature in a specially constructed kiln.

As generally made, structural terra cotta is in the form of hollow blocks with interior webs or partitions dividing the block into cells. These webs have the double purpose of increasing the strength of the product and of keeping the blocks in shape during the drying and burning. The exterior surface of the blocks, except where intended to be exposed to view are channeled or grooved and in some cases scored to afford a key for plaster or stucco.

38. Kinds of Hollow Tile.—According to the method of manufacture and composition of the raw materials used, terra cotta is known as *dense*, *semi-porous*, and *porous*.

For exterior walls and bearing partitions, the dense blocks are generally used. For interior partitions, furring, etc., the porous and semi-porous blocks are preferred, as the use of dense blocks either necessitates plugging the walls to provide nailings for trim, or makes it necessary to use porous blocks at the points where nailing is to be required. For fireproofing of columns, girders, etc., the porous or semi-porous blocks give better fire protection than the dense terra cotta; and for floor arches, dense blocks give greater strength but as semi-porous blocks are more resistive to fire, they are generally preferred for this use.

38*a*. Dense Terra Cotta.—Dense terra cotta is made from a variety of clays or from fire clay mixed with other clays and burned at a temperature of 2000 to 2500 deg. F. Its high crushing strength especially adapts it for use as bearing walls; and its durability, density, and non-absorptive qualities for use as exterior walls. For this latter use, it may be obtained with exposed surfaces finished in one way or another in place of the usual channeled surface in connection with which stucco must invariably be used if a finished effect is desired.

The dense tile are more brittle than the porous or semi-porous varieties and do not afford as efficient fire protection. If heated and suddenly cooled, they are liable to crack and to destroy the outer cells; and if used for fireproofing, special care should be taken to see that they are well burned, sound, and free from cracks.

38*b*. Semi-porous Terra Cotta.—In the manufacture of semi-porous terra cotta, the clay, usually fire clay, has about 20% of ground coal added to it during the process of grinding. This coal aids in the burning of the blocks and also serves to make the material lighter and more porous.

Semi-porous terra cotta is a better fire resistive material than the dense terra cotta and is regarded in this respect as the equal of the more porous blocks. It is especially adapted for use where considerable strength is required to be combined with high fire resistive qualities, as in floor arches.

38*c*. Porous Terra Cotta.—Porous terra cotta is made by mixing from 25 to 35% of sawdust with the clay. This sawdust is destroyed during the process of burning, leaving a light porous material.

The work of mixing, drying, and burning must be carefully and thoroughly done, and the finished product should be compact and tough. It should be of such a texture that it can be cut with a saw and so that nails and screws can be easily driven into it.

Porous terra cotta is an efficient non-conductor of heat and, if properly made, should effectively resist the actions of fire and water. Poorly mixed and pressed or under-burned tile are soft and crumbly, and ragged in appearance. If in the burning, all the sawdust has not been consumed, the tile will disintegrate under the action of fire and water. Porous tile is not suitable for exterior use as it absorbs water freely and will disintegrate if directly exposed to the action of the elements.

39. Sizes and Weights of Hollow Tile.—The following specification, the first standard to be formally introduced by the hollow-tile industry was adopted for all purchases made by the government for its war construction:

SIZES AND WEIGHTS OF TILE ADOPTED BY THE WAR SERVICE COMMITTEE ON HOLLOW BUILDING TILE FOR RECOMMENDATION TO WAR INDUSTRIES BOARD

Basing weight (pounds)		Cells	Standard weight	Minimum weight
		Partition Tile		
16	4″×12″×12″	3	16	15
22	6″×12″×12″	3	22	21
		Back Up Tile		
14	5″×8″×12″	..	16	15
8	4″×5″×12″	..	9	8
		Heavy Duty Tile		
28	6″×12″×12″	3	28	26
36	8″×12″×12″	6	36	34
54	12″×12″×12″	6	48	46

The number of cells and weights shown, represent the average commercial practice and there shall be no objection to a manufacturer furnishing a larger number of cells or heavier tile to meet his local conditions. The standard weights as shown represent the average weight of the tile to be furnished, but tile of minimum weight as shown shall be accepted, it being understood that this variation is necessary due to wear and renewal of dies.

The basing weights as shown are for use in reaching prices per thousand pieces on each size as shown in connection with the tentative billing prices; also final prices when fixed. Some variations have been made from actual and average weight to allow differences in cost of manufacturing the various sizes as determined by the custom and experience of the trade.

All tile to be furnished under these specifications shall pass the following test requirements for absorption:

Not less than three test specimens shall be dried at a temperature of approximately 212 deg. F. until by weighing and reweighing the weight remains constant. They shall then be continuously immersed in clear water for a period of 48 hr. with only the upper surface of the tile exposed to the air. Upon being removed from the water they shall be allowed to drain for a period of not more than 1 min. and the superficial water removed by a towel or similar means, and the test specimen shall then be weighed. The absorption thus obtained shall not exceed an average of 10% of the weight of the tile when dried.

The tile to be furnished is to be commercial tile—that is, it includes tile which are somewhat cracked, warped, and broken, not affecting the usefulness of the tile. Inspection is to be made at the factory.

40. Tests of Hollow Building Tile.—The results of a recent cooperative research of various laboratories on hollow building tile conducted under the direction of Comm. C-10 of the Am. Soc. for Testing Materials is given in vol. 15, 1915 of the Proceedings. The sizes of tiles were 12 × 12 in. with thickness of 4, 8, and 12 in. Their ceramic properties and strengths are defined in a general way by the localities from which they are selected. The tests were conducted on tiles of different hardness and absorption, the degree of burning being classed as low, medium, and hard. The specimens were tested in three positions according to standard requirements of Comm. C-10, the materials being selected from different states between the coasts.

The following is a brief summary of results of tests: The tiles of clays from Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Illinois showed higher strengths as a rule than materials from the other states represented, the tests on ends showing compressive strengths varying from as low as 4000 to as high as 12,000 lb. per sq. in. net section with a mean of 6000 to 7000 lb. per sq. in. The corresponding strengths from other states ranged from 2000 to 7000 lb. per sq. in. The strengths when tested on edge or flat were usually lower, as a rule ½ to ¾ the strengths on end, this depending on the relative thickness of tiles and arrangements of partitions. The values obtained from the compression modulus, ratio of stress to strain, varied from 2,000,000 to 6,000,000 lb. per sq. in., this also depending on the preceding factors. Hair cracks were noted in some cases at loads as low as 5 to 10% of the strength in compression. As a rule they occur at loads ½ to ¾ of the ultimate strength.

The following abstract of summary by Hathcock of the properties of tile from Ohio (see Tech. Paper No. 120 Bureau of Standards 1918) may be assumed to apply to materials from the different localities:

(1) The specific weight depends largely upon porosity. (2) Porosity depends on clays, percentage of sawdust used, pressure applied in molding, and degree of burning. (3) The color and hardness depends on the time and temperature of burning. (4) The unit deformation is usually proportioned to unit load to failure. (5) Elastic limit usually coincides with failure. (6) First cracks often occur at low loads. (7) Strength usually greatest laid on ends. (8) Modulus usually proportional to compressive strength.

41. Tests of Tile Walls.—Numerous tests have been made to determine compressive strength of tiles in walls. For results of tests, see Appendix *H*.

CAST IRON

By James H. Herron

42. Kinds of Cast Iron.—Cast iron may be considered of several classes, depending upon the composition and method of manufacture. Falling within the general term, there is the so-called *gray cast iron, semi steel* and *white cast iron*; the latter is subsequently treated to produce the so-called *malleable iron*. While the term cast iron is not usually applied to the white and malleable irons, it rightfully should be under the general definition of this material.

43. Methods of Manufacture.—Cast iron has its source in the blast furnace where the ore is reduced to the metallic iron and cast into pigs, commonly known as *pig iron*. This metallic iron carries with it certain elements which have a marked effect upon the physical properties of the material—such elements as carbon and sulphur which the iron picks up from the coke

with which the ore is smelted; silicon which is picked up from the silica present in the ore and ash of the coke; and manganese and phosphoruos which are present in the ore. All of the above elements have some effect upon the physical properties of the material, therefore the foundryman is compelled to use discrimination in selecting his materials in order to get the properties desired. In view of this it is unwise for the engineer to specify the chemical properties of the cast iron. He should limit himself to the physical properties, permitting the founder to supply what best meets the physical need.

Cast iron may be poured direct from the blast furnace or remelted from pig by any one of the following methods: cupola furnace; air furnace; electric furnace; open hearth furnace. Only foundries making a large tonnage of castings, and located adjacent to a blast furnace, can satisfactorily use the direct method; consequently, as a rule one of the others methods will be in use. The cupola furnace, using iron scrap and pig, is common in making gray iron castings and also to some extent in making small white and malleable iron castings. The air furnace is used to a limited extent only in making iron castings but is generally used in making white and malleable iron castings. The electric furnace is used in making both gray and white (and malleable) iron castings, while the open hearth furnace is used only in making white and malleable castings where the tonnage is large.

Very little iron for construction purposes will be melted by any other method than in the cupola furnace, and while the air and electric furnaces produce better products, the cost is higher and they are therefore not in common use.

44. Gray Iron.—Gray iron castings made from gray iron, are usually known to the trade as "cast iron." Gray iron is defined by the International Association for Testing Materials as "Iron containing so much carbon that it is not usefully malleable at any temperature, and is restricted to cast iron in the form of castings." Gray cast iron, or properly speaking, gray iron castings are produced as above stated, using metal directly from the blast furnace or pig iron, the produce of the blast furnace, and scrap melted in the cupola, air or electric furnace.

Gray cast iron always contains an important percentage of carbon, ranging from 3 to 4%, and an important percentage of silicon. The carbon persent in gray iron is in two forms, called graphitic carbon and combined carbon, and the material is hard or soft depending upon the proportion of these two forms of carbon. In other words, the castings are hard when the combined carbon is high, and soft when the graphitic carbon is high. The combined carbon is in the form of a carbide of iron and adds to the strength and hardness of the material. The graphitic carbon is graphite in the form of thin flakes, leaving a net work or regular skeleton of the alloy surrounding it.

In general gray iron may be considered a mass consisting of particles of graphite surrounded by a matrix of metallic alloy. The strength of iron is greatly affected by the condition of the carbon. The crystals of the graphite are brittle and show decided cleavages, hence they cannot be a factor in the strength of the iron. Thus by breaking up the continuity of the matrix the graphite causes weakness which will vary directly with the quantity.

The silicon plays an important part in the physical properties of gray iron, not directly, but in its effect on the condition of the carbon. The higher the silicon, the greater the amount of graphitic carbon, hence the less the amount of the combined carbon, and the softer the iron. The foundryman therefore regulates the physical properties of his material in regulating the amount of silicon by the proper mixing of his different irons.

Sulphur has the opposite effect of silicon and tends to harden the iron by increasing the combined carbon. Thus, sulphur is to be avoided in soft irons and only plays an important part in the so-called chilled irons, as in car wheels and like products where the surface is rendered hard.

Manganese tends to harden the iron and to offset the effect of the sulphur. It is sometimes referred to as a veil for the sulphur so that when high sulphur iron only is available some increase in the manganese will offset the difficulty to be expected with high sulphur.

Phosphorous in cast iron is not detrimental in percentages varying from 0.30 to 0.50%. Where great fluidity is required, the amount may be as high as 1.00%.

The above discussion of the effect of the chemical constituents upon the physical properties of gray iron is not given with a view of encouraging the engineer to write his own chemical specifications for what he thinks desirable, but to endeavor to show him the futility of such effort. The chemical constituents of gray iron should be determined by the foundry metallurgist and the engineer should only specify the physical properties he desires.

The physical properties of gray iron vary between somewhat wide limits depending upon the size and dimensions of the casting. The American Society for Testing Materials publishes a flexible specification which gives the physical properties to be expected in different casting thicknesses. This specification is perfectly rational and can be met by any foundryman without imposing upon him an undue burden. It is therefore

wise to follow these specifications, care being taken that the one of the latest revision be used. These specifications are changed from time to time as the art improves.

Gray iron possesses comparatively little strength in tension and no ductility. This therefore renders the use of gray iron castings in tension uncertain and they should not be so used unless the load is static and unit stress is low. Gray iron possesses its greatest value in compression where the ultimate strength is about four times that in tension. For construction purposes it is therefore wise to consider gray iron only in compression. It should be used for column bases, floor plates, columns under some conditions, etc.

45. Semi Steel.—Semi steel, so called, is subject to the same discussion as in the case of gray iron, and is made by adding steel scrap to gray iron mixtures in the melting furnace.

Semi steel is supposed to be stronger than gray iron but unless care is taken and the foundryman thoroughly understands the manufacture of semi steel, there is great question whether there are any beneficial results. The usual additions of steel scrap vary from 10 to 25 %, and the strength increases with added amounts up to about 30 %, above which the strength tends to fall off. Semi steel may be used where greater strength is desired than can be realized from gray iron and the same character of applied stress should govern.

46. White Iron.—White cast iron is used only in cases where a chilled surface is required to resist abrasion, but when there is no tensile stress or shock. In white iron the carbon is all in the combined form, therefore it cannot be machined except by grinding. Inserts of white iron ore are sometimes used when there is sliding contact.

47. Malleable Cast Iron.—Malleable cast iron, which is commercially known as malleable iron, is defined by the International Association for Testing Materials as "Iron which is first cast iron and later made malleable without remelting." Malleable cast iron is first cast in white iron using the air, cupola, electric or open hearth furnace. Small castings are frequently produced by cupola melting but the majority of all castings are produced in the air furnace. After casting as white iron (all of the carbon in the combined form), the castings are inspected, after which they are packed in boxes with an odixizing agent, in which they are heated for a period of from 5 to 7 days. In this treatment known as annealing, the combined carbon is changed to the form of graphite, known as *temper carbon*. At the same time the outside surface is decarbonized by the action of the ozidizing agent. The form of the graphitic carbon varies from that of gray iron inasmuch as the gray iron is in the form of flakes and therefore occupies the greater part of the cross sectional area, while in malleable iron it is in the form of nodules occupying a lesser amount of the cross sectional area, leaving a greater percentage of the matrix effective. Since the carbon is practically all graphitic, the matrix is soft and ductile.

The use of malleable iron is constantly growing and at some future day will find an extended use in construction work. It is now used principally for hardware, concrete inserts, hanger straps, etc. It can be used in tension to some extent and for transverse loading. In compression malleable iron has no advantage over gray iron and is more expensive.

Malleable cast iron in tension has a value from 40,000 to 50,000 lb. per sq. in. and an elongation of from 7 to 15 %.

Specifications for malleable iron of the American Society for Testing Materials should be used when malleable castings are desired.

48. Design of Castings.—Care should be taken in the design of castings for whatever purposes intended, and sharp corners and angles should be avoided, using well rounded corners and large fillets. This is desirable owing to the fact that in all metals, upon solidifying, the crystals grow at right angles to the surface. This causes weakness along a line bisecting the angle of the surfaces, along which failures may occur.

The section of ribs, etc. should be kept as nearly uniform as possible. A large section immediately adjacent to a light section is apt to cause difficulty and internal troubles. The engineer should exercise great care and judgment in the design of castings for any purpose whatever, since a little judgment shown at such a time will avoid failure which might be destructive to both life and property.

The defects in castings of all kinds are: (1) blow holes which occur near the surface and are usually indicated by surface porosity; (2) contraction cavities which are usually found below the surface at the intersection of large and small sections (usually referred to by the foundrymen as shrink holes); and (3) scabs, which are purely surface defects, and as a rule cause no trouble except where it is desired to make connection with some other member without machining.

WROUGHT IRON

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49. Wrought Iron Defined.—Wrought iron is defined by the International Association for Testing Materials as "Malleable iron which is aggregated from pasty particles without subsequent fusion and contains so little carbon that it does not harden usefully when cooled rapidly."

50. Method of Manufacture.—Wrought iron is manufactured by the process of puddling, —*i. e.*, melting in a furnace from pig iron and ore and constantly stirred until practically all the carbon and other impurities are burned out. This leaves the iron in a plastic condition, saturated with slag. The material is gathered into a plastic lump and put in a "squeezer" where much of the slag is squeezed out. The remaining material is then rolled into billets known as "Muck Bars." Subsequent rollings refine the material by further eliminating the slag and it is called single and double refined iron, depending upon the number of times rolled.

51. Structure of Wrought Iron.—The structure of wrought iron is commonly called fibrous due to the presence of a considerable amount of slag. This slag is found in alternate layers with the iron, which gives the appearance of fibers and which is referred to at times as "woody." The layers of slag serve as a protecting covering for the alternate layers of iron, thereby rendering the material somewhat immune to corrosive conditions. The carbon content is usually under 0.15 %, with the manganese under 0.30 %.

52. Physical Properties.—The physical properties of wrought iron are fairly constant; the tensile strength from 50,000 to 60,000 lb. per sq. in., with the elastic limit from one-half to three-fifths of the tensile strength. Both the elongation and reduction of area are high, denoting excellent fatigue resisting properties.

53. Uses of Wrought Iron.—The greatest value of wrought iron is in its ability to resist corrosion and is in consequence used for sheets, both plain and corrugated, metal lath, pipe, etc. Practically no wrought iron is now used for structural shapes. Probably the most important use of wrought iron is in pipe where its resistance to corrosion results in long life and good service. Wrought iron can be identified by the surface appearance of small hairline checks which represent the slag.

Wrought iron should be purchased under the specifications of the American Society for Testing Materials.

54. Ingot Iron and Copper Bearing Metal.—In the same general class with wrought iron in its resistance to corrosion, are the so-called ingot iron and copper bearing metal.

Ingot iron is made in the open hearth furnace, eliminating as far as possible the impurities usually found in steel, thereby obtaining as pure a product as possible. It is then cast in ingots and rolled into the form required. Owing to certain properties of this material it is hard to handle in forging operation, therefore any forgings required should be carefully made.

The value of this material lies largely in its capacity to resist corrosion due to the low percentage of impurities, and it is furnished in sheets both black and galvanized. There are no specifications under which this material is furnished. It is usually supplied under various trade names.

Copper bearing steel takes its name from a small percentage of copper, from 0.30 to 0.50 %. This contributes to its capacity to resist corrosion, probably by alloying with the iron. The other constituents are as low as is practical. This material is used for sheets for sheathing, metal lath, etc.

STEEL

By James H. Herron

55. In General.—Chemically, steel may be defined as an alloy of iron-carbon and other elements being present in varying amounts depending upon the properties desired. Where the steel is composed of an alloy of iron and carbon with other elements in small quantities, it is customary to refer to such material as carbon steel. Where small quantities of other elements (such as nickel, chromium, vanadium, etc.) are present in addition to the iron and carbon, it is customary to refer to the material as alloy steel.

Of the elements entering into the composition of steel, some are of value, while others are a detriment. The value of the steel is determined largely by these elements. Not only should their presence be considered, but the amount of each should be accurately determined. They will be taken up in the order in which they are usually regarded.

Carbon.—The general influence of carbon on steel is greater tenacity. It also renders the steel harder and stiffer. The tensile strength is increased about 600 to 800 lb. per sq. in. for each additional point of carbon, while the ductility is decreased about 0.5 % for each additional point of carbon (see Fig. 1). Steel with 0.20% carbon begins to show appreciable hardening when cooled quickly, but does not show evidence of brittleness in the normal state, until the carbon has reached approximately 0.70 %.

Manganese—Manganese adds to the toughness of steel and increase the tensile strength by about 100 lb. per sq. in. for each additional point. The ductility is decreased with the addition of manganese. For medium steel the manganese is very satisfactory at from 0.40 to 0.60%. Higher or lower manganese may be specified for special purposes. Steel with manganese between 2 and 6% should be avoided, due to increased hardness and a tendency to brittleness, while steel of over 6% manganese, known as *manganese steel*, has certain definite properties of toughness and strength.

Phosphorus.—Phosphorus renders steel cold short, or brittle. It is therefore to be avoided as much as possible. The lower the phosphorus content, the better. Steel should be specified with phosphorus not to exceed 0.04 %.

Sulphur.—Sulphur has a tendency to render the steel hot short, and is therefore to be avoided in any steel that is to be forged, or otherwise worked hot. The sulphur, for good results, should not exceed 0.06%. It is much better to keep the sulphur below 0.04%.

Silicon.—Silicon is generally supposed to render steel cold short. High silicon should be avoided in steel for general purposes, and should not exceed 0.20% except in castings.

Nickel.—Nickel in steel has a strengthening effect or tends to increase the value statically over the range above considered and in proportion to the amount present. Where the nickel content is 3.50% (much of such steel is used) and in the annealed condition, its presence tends to increase the elastic limit from 25 to 50%, depending upon the amount of carbon present.

Chromium.—Chromium in steel tends to make it intensely hard and give it a high elastic limit in the hardened or suddenly cooled state so that it is neither deformed permanently nor cracked by extremely violent shocks. It is stated that the hardness imparted by chromium in steel is not accompanied by as much brittleness as that induced by carbon.

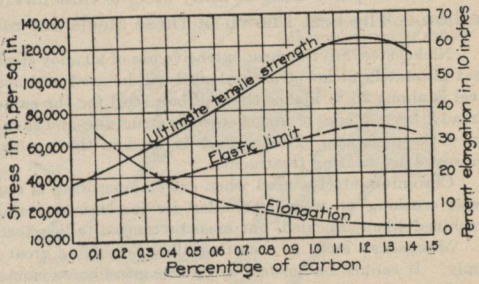


FIG. 1.—Effect of carbon upon the strength and ductility of carbon steel.

56. Methods of Manufacture.—Steel is manufactured by one of several methods of which the following are important:

Bessemer.—Bessemer steel takes its form from the inventor of the process by which it is made. The process was patented by Sir Henry Bessemer in 1855, and due to the low cost of manufacture, has contributed to the popularity of steel perhaps more than any other one factor. The converter which is used is a pot shaped vessel receiving the iron in the molten form, either direct from the blast furnace or from a cupola. Air is blown through the molten mass, thereby oxidizing the silicon, carbon and manganese. The heat of the reaction maintains the metal in a fluid condition until conversion is complete. Owing to the inability of this method to materially reduce the phosphorus or sulphur, two harmful elements, and loss due to some oxidation of the iron itself, it is rapidly being replaced by other methods which are more flexible. Bessemer steel may be identified by the high sulphur and phosphorus content.

Open Hearth.—Open hearth steel takes its name form the character of the furnace in which it is manufactured. This is a furnace of the regenerative type originally introduced by Sir Wm. Siemens. The metal is melted on the hearth of the furnace, the hot gases passing over the surface, the heat being absorbed through the top of the bath. By a proper use of slags, phosphorus and sulphur can be reduced to any reasonable extent. Other conditions can be controlled at will. This method is therefore much in favor and the bulk of the steel for structural material is now made by this process.

Electric.—Some steel is now made in the electric furnace and is known as *electric steel.* The steel is melted from cold materials and as such is known as *cold melt electric;* in connection with the open hearth is known as *duplex electric;* or with the Bessemer and open hearth is known as *triplex electric.* Electric steel is largely alloy steel and has little use in building construction unless a high strength is required.

57. Carbon Steel.—Carbon steel is defined by the International Association for Testing Materials as "Steel which owes its distinctive properties chiefly to the carbon as distinguished from the other elements which it contains." It also can be defined as an alloy of iron, and carbon varying from 0.10 to 2.25%.

A large part of the steel used for building construction is of this class and may be classified

as soft, medium and hard. Soft steel is that with a carbon content of 0.25 % or under, medium steel is that of a carbon content from 0.25 to 0.50 %; and hard steel is that with a carbon content exceeding 0.50 %. Little steel with a carbon content exceeding 0.70 % is used in building construction since steels in the higher range of carbon are known as brittle and would have little use in an untreated condition. Springs and steels for metal and wood working tools fall in this class.

Since the greater part of the steel used for building construction is carbon steel, the character of each kind should be carefully considered for different purposes.

Bessemer steel is used for little except rails, structural steel for buildings and concrete reinforcement bars, and much discrimination should be shown in regard to whether it should be used for any of these purposes. The high phosphorus present renders its use inadvisable when there is a condition of dynamic loading, so that instructures subject to heavy live load conditions, it should not be considered. The specifications of the American Society for Testing Materials provide for structural steel for buildings[1] for both Bessemer and open hearth steel The engineer should therefore be careful in making his selection to meet the need.

The use of open hearth steel should be encouraged. Its use is constantly increasing and the prediction is freely made that in the course of a few years it will entirely replace Bessemer steel except for a few specialized uses. By far the greater part of the specifications of the American Society for Testing Materials as now written call for open hearth steel.

58. Alloy Steel.—Alloy steel is defined by the International Association for Testing Materials as "Steel which owes its distinctive properties chiefly to some element or elements other than carbon or jointly to such other element and carbon."

The simplest class of alloy steel is that having one alloying element in addition to iron and carbon. The best known of these steels are *nickel steel*, *chromium steel*, and *manganese steel.*

Nickel steel has the most extensive use of all alloy steels for any purpose whatever. It is the general prediction that ultimately nickel structural steel will be used in practically all important structures. The strength of nickel steel is about 25 % higher than carbon steel for the same elongation and for the same purpose. Some use has already been made of nickel steel for structures and should be considered where physical conditions may limit the size of the members. Nickel steel is used in the normal (rolled) condition. The properties are considerably improved by heating treatment.

Chromium steel is used when extreme hardness is required. For such members as bearing plates that must resist crushing or wear or similar service, this material can be satisfactorily used. Chromium steel can be machined when annealed, but must be treated to be effective in use.

Manganese steel is a casting alloy possessing great resistance to abrasion and is used when a casting will apply. It cannot be finished except by grinding so cannot be used where other machining is necessary. It has found a use for switches and frog points, steam shovel bucket points and the lips of grab buckets. Its use is growing and the future will see a greatly extended use of this material.

The more highly developed alloy steels of the quarternary group have little application to building construction. Among these steels are the *chrome-nickel*, *chrome-vanadium*, *silico-manganese* and others carrying *tungsten*, *molybdenum* and *cobalt.* Consideration of these steels with their properties as affected by treatment, would be beyond the scope of this work.

If the reader feels sufficiently interested in the subject, it would be well to procure some well known book on the subject, and study the same carefully, if to promote nothing more than an appreciation of this exceedingly important and far reaching subject.

59. Steel Castings.—For building construction, practically all steel castings are of carbon steel. This is usually of the medium grade (0.25 to 0.50 %) along the lower carbon range. While steel castings may be used in tension, such use is frought with some danger and it is fare to consider such for compression or transverse loading only—the latter when the probability of contraction cavities will occur near the neutral axis or on the compression side.

The specifications of the American Society for Testing Materials should be used when steel castings are to be used.

The same imperfections that are found in iron castings are common to steel castings but in a more pronounced degree.

60. Rolled Shapes.—Rolled shapes—viz., beams, channels, angles, plates and bars—comprise the large part of steel used in building construction. This in a great measure is carbon steel of the soft and medium grades. The handbooks of the various steel manufacturers give full tables of the properties of the various sections rolled, also table of safe loads for

[1] See Appendix *C.*

different classes of loading. These tables use a factor of four, or a unit stress of 16,000 lb. The discriminating designer will consider the elastic limit rather than the ultimate strength and select an allowable unit stress that will be sufficient to cover the needs. It is manifestly necessary to allow a less unit stress where the conditions of loading are dynamic than where static. The specifications of the American Society for Testing Materials given in Appendix—for structural Steel should be used.

61. Forgings.—When rolled shapes are not available forgings can be made to suit the need and should be annealed before used to relieve the strain set up in the hammering operation. The specifications of the American Society for Testing Materials for forgings and annealing should be used.

62. Uniform Specifications.—Uniform specifications have been realized in recent years through the efforts of the American Society for Testing Materials. The specifications of this Society should be used in every case where they apply. Time will be saved in drawing up general specifications by using the name, serial designation and latest revision of the particular specifications.

63. Examination of Structural Steel.—In the examination of structural steel, the following flaws should be guarded against:

Pipes in structural steel appear as a small split, crack or fissure in the sheared or sawed end of the section. On sheared heavy sections the dragging may tend to hide it, but the practiced eye will detect the lip. In most sections the pipe in itself is not a dangerous defect as it is found in the center of the web, where the stresses are small or neutral, but presence of pipe indicates insufficient discard from the top of the ingot. This means that segregated, poor material is very apt to be present.

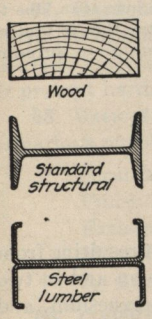


Fig. 2.—Cross section of structural pressed steel beam compared with standard structural and wood.

Scabs need very little description and are easily detected. They are not a dangerous defect but often interfere with fabrication and prevent the workmanlike finish desired. Scabs are the result of splashes on the side of the mold during the process of pouring.

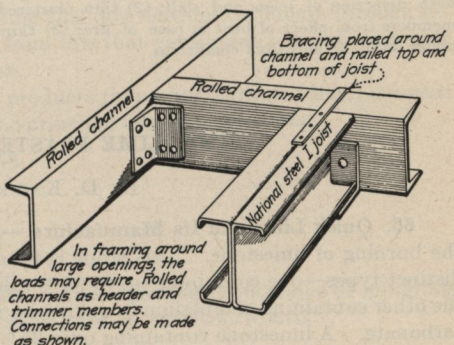


FIG. 2A.—Method of framing structural pressed steel.

Rooks are often mistaken for scabs as they draw out in the process of rolling. They are the result of transverse cracks formed by too heavy reduction in the early stages of rolling. They may be very deep and dangerous so should be carefully discarded.

Laps formed by rolling, an over-fill from the previous pass, are not generally dangerous unless they are unusually deep. Seams result from the drawing out of surface blow holes or other minor defects. They are not dangerous where the material is not to be forged or heat treated, but they, like laps, are unsightly and prevent workmanlike finish.

Guide marks and roll scratches are often taken for laps or seams. A bending test or pickling will generally reveal the true nature of such a defect.

64. Steel Lumber or Structural Pressed Steel.—Steel lumber is a term applied to pressed steel beams and channels designed to take the place of wood joists and studs in building construction. The word *steel lumber* is more or less of a trade name since practically the same material is made under the general term of *structural pressed steel.*

Structural pressed steel is formed from rolled sheets into channel sections with the outside edge of the flange turned toward the inside and parallel to the web (see Figs. 2 and 2A). The value of this form is to stiffen the outside of the flange on the compression side. The web and flanges are uniform in thickness and structure, having been rolled as a sheet. To produce a beam, two channel sections are placed back to back and either riveted or spot welded, thus having twice the carrying capacity of the channel and something over twice the lateral stiffness.

The transverse strength is less per unit of weight than in a standard beam of the same depth since the flanges are thin in proportion to the web.

The superiority of structural pressed steel is supposed to lie in its ability to lighten the construction over the regular standard rolled section and at the same time possesses the fire proof features lacking in wood members.

Structural pressed steel is made in sections up to 12 in. in depth, the thickness of the sheet from which they are made being proportional to the size of the member. Special shapes can be made at little additional cost.

In using this material in design, the same general rules apply as in the case of standard structural shapes. Tables of properties and safe loads are furnished by the manufacturers. Structural pressed steel can be used in connection with standard structural shapes, connecting with hangers, angles, or supported on top of them and held with a clip. This renders the application in the field a simple matter. The pressed sections may be built into the wall, or into reinforced concrete girders.

The studding is in channel form and can be applied either on the top of the floor using a channel or angle base or track, or on the joists directly, with the joists above carried upon the studs.

The metal lath used for floor reinforcement, ceiling or side wall construction is clipped to the pressed steel members. The prongs for clipping are cut from the flanges of the joists or studs.

The ease of making the connections in structural pressed steel with little field work commends its use where great strength is not required. It probably can be erected at little greater cost than wood joists and studs. Each particular application should be studied to avoid trouble.

The introduction of structural pressed steel has raised some questions which might be stated briefly as follows: (1) The use of a thin floor which shows a tendency to crack where the joists are long span, due to both defection of joists and slab; (2) thin plastered covering of wall and ceiling, possibly too thin to protect members from effect of heat in case of fire; (3) thin section of members, offering little resistance to corrosion under damp or corrosive conditions.

LIME, LIME PLASTER, AND LIME MORTAR

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65. Quick Lime and Its Manufacture.—*Lime*, or *mason's lime*, is a product resulting from the burning of limestone. This stone is found in nearly every state in the union and in two distinct types—one containing up to 98% calcium carbonate with little or no magnesium, and the other containing magnesium in quantities ranging as high as 84 parts to 100 parts of calcium carbonate. A limestone containing over 25% magnesium carbonate is known as "dolomitic."

The lime resulting from the burning of these limestones is known either as "calcium" or "high-calcium lime" or as "magnesium" or "dolomitic lime." Although each requires a different proportion of sand or other ingredients, and varying claims are made as to qualities of plasticity or workability, all are equally suitable for general building purposes. In the case of finishing coats for plaster work, however, preference is given to that lime which works the most easily under the finishing trowel.

Limestone may be considered as composed of calcium oxide (CaO) and carbon dioxide (CO_2) —these constituents forming, when combined, calcium carbonate ($CaCO_3$) which is the form in which raw limestone is found. A chemically pure calcium carbonate would be composed of 56 parts of calcium oxide and 44 parts carbon dioxide. A chemically pure dolomitic limestone would be composed of 56 parts calcium oxide, 40 parts of magnesium oxide, and 88 parts of carbon dioxide.

The chemical change which takes place in the burning at 1600 or 1700 deg. F. destroys the bond between the calcium or magnesium oxide and carbon dioxide. Under the action of this heat treatment, the carbon dioxide, together with any moisture contained in the stone, passes off, leaving calcium oxide, or "quick lime." This lime contains small percentages of residue such as silica, alumina, etc., which are difficult to eliminate and not injurious to masonry in the proportions in which they are present.

There are two general types of kilns for burning limestone—the intermittent and the continuous. In the intermittent process, the kiln is charged with limestone and fuel, then burned, cooled, and drawn. This constitutes a complete operation. The kiln is again charged and the operation repeated.

The continuous type of kiln is in general use in modern plants. While there are various types of such kilns, the one most generally used is always subjected to heat action when the kilns are in operation. The fire is located near the bottom and at the side of the central chamber containing the lime, so that the fuel does not come in contact with the lime. The lining of the kiln is usually round and built of some highly refractory material. As the lime is drawn from the bottom, the kiln fills with stone at the top and the burning process goes on continuously.

66. Slaking Quick Lime.—When lime is delivered in the oxide form (lumps lime) for use in construction work, the slaking goes forward by the hand method. In this process the person charged with the slaking uses sufficient water to bring the mass to a paste, which is, according to custom or individual preference, thoroughly screened for prompt use or is used without screening after it has aged. Ageing consists of allowing the paste to stand for a week or more to permit moisture coming in contact with all particles of the oxide. This is by some considered to offer greater assurance of thoroughly and completely slaking than other methods.

Hydrated lime is slaked at the mills by machinery specially designed for the purpose. The principle of the process is to bring into intimate contact with the lime a predetermined quantity of water that will chemically combine with the lime to produce complete hydration. In this action, 56 parts of calcium oxide combine with 18 parts of water. When completed, the resulting product is 74 parts of calcium hydroxide, or hydrated lime—a fine, dry, powdery material.

Hydrated lime is packed for shipment in paper sacks containing 50 lb. and is ready for use. It is not necessary to slake and age hydrated lime, but it is customary to require it to be soaked for 24 hr. before mixing with ingredients to be entirely sure that all particles are thoroughly hydrated with no lime oxide remaining.

67. Hardening of Lime Mortar.—The hardening of lime mortar consists partly in the crystallization of lime hydrate and partly in reconverting this into calcium carbonate through exposure to carbon dioxide in the air. It is evident from this that ventilation is highly desirable for prompt hardening of all lime mortars or plasters.

68. Uses of Lime Plaster and Mortar.—Lime products (lump and hydrated lime) are used for various purposes in building construction. The principal uses are as follows:

Scratch and brown coat interior plastering.
Finish coat interior plastering.
Exterior stucco.
Mortar for brick and stone masonry.
As a flux for concrete.

69. Proportions of Materials for Lime Plaster.—The following proportions of materials in preparing one ton of lime plaster have been found to produce excellent results:

FOR WOOD LATH SURFACES

Scratch Coat.—11¼ cu. ft. hydrated lime (9 sacks) or 9½ cu. ft. lime putty, 15½ cu. ft. sand, and 3 lb. hair or fiber.

Brown Coat.—9 cu. ft. hydrated lime (7 sacks) or 7¾ cu. ft. lime putty, and 16½ cu. ft. sand.

White Finish.—Finishing hydrated lime, or freshly burned quick lime, properly slaked, gaged with calcined gypsum.

Sand Float Finish.—To each cubic foot of lime paste used, add and thoroughly mix one cubic foot of sand.

METAL LATH SURFACES

Scratch Coat:

8 cu. ft. hyd. lime (6¼ sacks)		7 cu. ft. lime putty
1½ cu. ft. Portland cement		1¼ cu. ft. Portland cement
15½ cu. ft. sand	or	15½ cu. ft. sand
3 lb. hair or fiber		3 lb. hair or fiber

The Portland cement should be separately mixed with its proportion of sand and added to the mixture just previous to applying the plaster.

Brown Coat:

9 cu. ft. hydrated lime (7 sacks)	or	7¾ cu. ft. lime putty
16 cu. ft. sand		16½ cu. ft. sand

Finish Coat:

Same as prescribed for application to wood lath.

MASONRY SURFACES

Scratch Coat.—9 cu. ft. hydrated lime (7 sacks) or 7¾ cu. ft. lime putty, and 16½ cu. ft. sand.

Brown Coat.—Same proportions as for scratch coat.

Finish Coat.—Same as prescribed for application on wood lath.

CONCRETE SURFACES

15 cu. ft. hyd. lime (12 sacks) or 12¾ cu. ft. lime putty, 1 cu. ft. sand, and 250 lb. calcined gypsum. No more than 1 coat of plaster on concrete surfaces is recommended.

70. Lime Mortar.—The strength developed by lime mortar in brick masonry provides a factor of safety sufficient to meet all the strains and stresses to which brick masonry is usually subjected. For structures wherein high strength is a consideration, the use of Formula No. 5 in the following table of results of tests conducted at Columbia University, New York, in 1915, is recommended:

ULTIMATE RESISTANCES OF 8x8x84-IN. BRICK PIERS LAID UP WITH DIFFERENT MORTARS SHOWN

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Mortar mix.....	100 lb. C ..... 300 lb. S	90 lb. C 4 lb. HL 300 lb. S	85 lb. C 6 lb. HL 300 lb. S	75 lb. C 10 lb. HL 300 lb. S	50 lb. C 20 lb. HL 300 lb. S	25 lb. C 30 lb. HL 300 lb. S	 40 lb. HL 300 lb. S
Crushed at							
7 days.....	2630	3080	2890	3120	2760	1945	1535
28 days.....	2840	3170	3230	3470	3100	2370	1870
3 months.....	2840	4435	4300	4170	3820	2720	1950

C—Portland Cement. HL—Hydrated Lime. S—Sand.

For straight lime mortar the following approximate quantities are recommended:

1 : 2 lump lime mortar—1¾ bbl. lump lime and ½ cu. yd. of sand.
1 : 2½ lump lime mortar—1⅜ bbl. lump lime and ½ cu. yd. of sand.
1 : 3 lump lime mortar—1⅛ bbl. lump lime and ½ cu. yd. of sand.
1 : 2 hydrated lime mortar—6½ sacks hydrated lime and ½ cu. yd. of sand.
1 : 2½ hydrated lime mortar—5¾ sacks of hydrated lime and ½ cu. yd. of sand.
1 : 3 hydrated lime mortar—5 sacks of hydrated lime and ½ cu. yd. of sand.

71. Use of Lime Products in Cement Mortar.—The use of lime products in cement mortar produce the following results:

(1) Lime introduces into the mortar a high degree of plasticity or workability so the mortar can be easily spread, thus providing a more uniform bedding for the bricks.

(2) The so-called suction of the brick affects a cement-lime mortar to a much less degree than it does a straight cement mortar. The use of lime is said to aid in the retention of moisture in the mortar for the more nearly complete hydration of the cement in the mixture, thus causing the cement to work at higher efficiency. This point is possibly brought out in the above table by the comparison of mortar No. 5 with mortar No. 1. The economical feature in this test is that a mortar composed of 20 lb. of hydrated lime, 50 lb. of Portland cement, (a total of 70 lb. of cementing material) and 300 lb. sand, developed a strength approximately 1000 lb. per sq. in. stronger than a mortar composed of 100 lb. of Portland cement and 300 lb. sand.

72. Notes on Plastering.—In various sections of the country, few, if any, organizations have taken more interest in the improvement of the materials used by them and the welfare of the occupants of all buildings than the various Employing Plasterers' Associations. Among these the association in Chicago is soliciting the cooperation and support of architects and others in the association's efforts to set the highest standards possible for plastering and has issued documents in which it says:

In many of the branches of building construction, efforts are tending towards the use of better material and workmanship. No material or finish for a building combines so fully the essentials for fire protection and sanitation at so low a cost to the owner as does plastering, and no other material that enters so largely into the construction of a building presents so large an area of visible surface. The cost of plastering represents only a small percentage of the total cost of a building.

It is a necessary base for the most expensive decorations and in itself provides the requisites necessary for a finish interior. The association believes that so important an element in the construction and finish of a building is worthy to be well done, and that the best workmanship and material if specified and called for will more than compensate owners and architects in their requirements for such grade of work.

The following notes on plastering issued in copyrighted pamphlets for distribution, written by J. Turley Allen, a member of the Association in Philadelphia and a leading plastering contractor of the country with long years of experience, will be found of much value and interest. In connection with the two kinds of plastering to which he refers—viz., "laid off work" and "three coat work," both of which consist of three coats of plaster— it is well to call attention to the following: *Laid off work* is less expensive than three coat work because of the fact that the same scaffolding can be used for the first two coats which are applied, one over the other, while the first or scratch coat is yet fresh. There are advocates of each method, and if three separate coats are desired, specifications should distinctly and definitely state that each coat shall set and be dry before the next is applied. As the latter method requires the taking down of scaffold after each coat and resetting the same for subsequent coats, it is obvious that provision must be made for such expense. *Three coat work* is necessary in connection with metal lath.

Wood Lathing.—All ceilings, walls, partitions, and under sides of stairs are to be lathed with best quality of lath of full thickness and free from bark. Each joint is to be broken at least every eighth course and the lath laid with sufficient space to allow a strong key. All lath are to be securely nailed to each bearing with 3d fine No. 16 gage wire nails. No breaks shall occur directly over corners of opening.

It is sometimes mentioned in specifications that best sawn lath are to be used. This is unnecessary, as split lath against which this specification was intended to guard have not been in the market for over 50 yr. It is also usual to require dry lath to be used. This is a mistake as much better results can be gained by using wet lath, and allowing the mortar and the lath to dry, together. Mortar put on dry lath will make them warp and twist, and crack the mortar, should the mortar set or harden before the lath have become saturated.

In regard to the clause frequently inserted in the plasterer's specifications forbidding the running of lath over or behind partitions, it would seem to be more effectual to instruct the carpenter so to arrange the studs and furring that it would be impossible to make anything else than a solid internal angle.

Metal Lathing.—All ceilings, partitions, and stripped walls are to be covered with metal lath, securely nailed in position and strained so that it will not give when the second or finishing coats are applied. Lath shall be stapled to each stud joist or bearing with 1-in. blued wood staples, spaced about 6 in. apart. Lap lath at jointings with not less than 1-in. lap.

If metal lath are used, the supports should be sufficiently close to make a rigid wall. If ordinary wire cloth is used, the space or centers should not be greater than 9 in. This distance may be increased with some of the laths which, in the direction of their stiffener, are more rigid than plain wire.

Laid Off Work.—All ceilings, walls, partitions, and soffits throughout the building are to be plastered with three coats. The brown mortar for this work is to be made of fresh lime, graded sand, and strong cattle hair or fiber. The lime must be run through a sieve of not less than five meshes to the inch, and used as soon as it is stiff enough to be worked. All lath work must be covered with first coat mortar made up as above directed and put on with such force as to insure a good clinch.

This is to be followed immediately by second coat mortar made with a larger proportion of sand and less hair or fiber. All other second coating in the building is to be done with this mortar. The surface of the second coat must be made true and even, flush with grounds and fairly out of winding. All angles must be made straight and true, all walls plumb.

When the mortar has become sufficiently set, the entire surface must be made compact and rubbed with a float or darby and all bumps or other imperfections removed. The surface is to be left so that the finishing coat will adhere firmly to it.

Three-coat Work.—All ceilings, walls, partitions, and soffits throughout the building must be plastered in the best manner, with three coats.

Each coat must be perfectly dry before the next is applied. The brown mortar for this work must be made of fresh lime, graded sand, and strong cattle hair or fiber and the lime must be run through a sieve of not less than five meshes to the inch, and used as soon as it is stiff enough to be worked. All lath work is to be covered with first coat mortar made up as above directed and put on with such force as to insure a good clinch.

The surface of the first coat must be left as rough as possible by being scratched with a broom or scratcher so as to insure the adhesion of the second coat. It is also to be put on to such a thickness that the first coat when dry and the lath together may be strong enough to resist the pressure of applying the second coat. When this mortar has become perfectly dry, all ceilings, walls, and partitions throughout the building are to be covered with second coat mortar, made with a larger proportion of sand and less hair or fiber. The surface of the second coat must be made true and even, flush with grounds and fairly out of winding. All angles must be made straight and true, all walls plumb.

When the mortar has become sufficiently set, the entire surface must be compact and rubbed up with a float or darby and all bumps or other imperfections removed. The surface is to be left so that the finishing coat will adhere firmly to it.

It is usual to specify that mortar must lie in the bed for a given length of time, varying from one to three weeks. Because the limes made are in combination with over 45% of carbonate of magnesia, the mortar made from them sets. When the slaked lime has lain in the bed until it becomes stiff, and is then broken down and tempered, a very considerable proportion of the strength that it should ultimately have is lost.

The mortar should be put on so that the setting will occur in place and not in the bed.

The loss of lime water while lying in the bed is also very harmful, as mortar made with these limes never becomes as hard on the wall after it is retempered with clean water, as it would have been had it been used before the addition of more water became necessary. Lime that has lain in the bed for some weeks and is then tempered down will work freely under the tools with a much larger proportion of sand than is required by lime tempered in a few days or as soon as it can be worked. Such an addition of sand, however, does not add strength to the mortar but is simply an economy on the part of the workman at the expense of the quality of the work. It is sometimes urged that lime should ripen in the bed in order that all the particles should become thoroughly slaked. This is an error because unslaked particles should be taken out with a sieve at the mouth of the running-off box. Any pieces of lime that will go through a mesh of a No. 5 sieve, will slack out before the mortar can be used.

Care should be taken to use graded as well as sharp sand in order that the voids may be of such size as to hold enough lime to cement the grains together securely and at the same time by the close contact of the grains, to lessen the possibility of shrinkage of the mass and map cracking.

No small part of the advantage of rubbing up the second coat mortar thoroughly is that it is thereby made more compact than it was when originally applied. This is urged for the same reason that cement concrete should be made with as little water as possible and also to be thoroughly rammed.

It also follows that stronger work can be made when each coat dries separately, because the second coat can be made much more dense by being forced against the dry first coat, whereas in laid off work this force cannot be applied, as it would simply result in all the mortar being pushed through the keys.

White Coating.—The finishing coat must be composed of lime putty with a small proportion of white sand gaged with Plaster of Paris. This coat must be run on with such force as to insure a bond to the second coat and must be troweled to a burnished, even and straight surface, free from chip cracks or other defects. In no case is raw stuff to be run on and finished with gaged stuff. The lime from which this white mortar is made must be run through a sieve of not less than ten meshes to the inch. Neat quirks must be cut at all angle beads.

Sand Finish.—The mortar for the sand finish must be composed of clean white sand and the lump lime which has been run through a sieve of not less than five meshes to the inch.

This mortar is to be put on with force and floated to an even and true surface, free from switches, float marks, and all defects or inequalities.

STUCCO

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Stucco has rapidly come into general use in this country as an exterior finish for residences and other structures. One of the factors contributing to this rapid development has been the too easy adaptation of long-used methods of interior plastering to exterior work, a condition which has perhaps done more to retard than to encourage the development of rational practice in the treatment of stucco. Many of the stuccos applied according to these methods have proved unsatisfactory, and there has developed an unwarranted prejudice against stucco in the minds of some who are aware of the failures, but who are not sufficiently well informed as to the causes of these failures.

It must be realized, however, that individual effort could hardly be capable of making rapid progress in the improvement of stucco either in determining what is essential to good practice or what is to be avoided. It is only within the last 5 or 10 yr. that cooperative investigations have been planned and carried out for the purpose of developing more complete information in regard to stucco construction. These investigations are still in progress, and while further important developments may be anticipated, the causes of failures and unsatisfactory results are now quite well established.

The recommendations which follow are based on the results of these investigations, and also upon data gathered from the examination of many stucco structures in different parts of the country.

73. Importance of Good Design in Stucco Construction.—It is wrong to assume that exterior plasters of any kind are as durable under all exposures as stone, brick, or concrete. They are not, and the sooner architects and builders realize that the best of stuccos have certain limitations, the sooner will the chief causes of complaint be eliminated. Thus it is that the design of the structure plays an important part in the permanency and appearance of stucco, and the following suggestions may be offered:

1. Stucco surfaces should shed water quickly, and the more nearly vertical these surfaces the better. One may even go so far as to recommend (especially in variable climates, such as those of the northern and eastern parts

of the country) against the use of stucco on copings, cornices, and sills, and suggest that these be of stone, cast concrete, or other materials which can better assume the burden of severe exposure.

2. Stucco needs overhead protection wherever there is danger of water getting behind it, and to insure against this it is safer to make special provision against leaks, and drip, which may concentrate water flow over the surface of the stucco and thus injure or disfigure it. An overhanging roof is very desirable if the design will permit, and proper flashing of copings, cornices, and projecting wood trim over window and door openings, together with clean cut drip grooves under sills and belt courses, will well repay attention to details of this character.

3. Stucco should preferably not be run to the ground, although this can be done successfully on concrete or masonry walls, provided the surfaces are thoroughly cleaned before plastering and a good mechanical key is provided for all coats. Lath should always be stopped at least 12 in. above grade to avoid exposure to ground moisture.

74. Structure.—Apart from suitable design of the stucco structure, there are certain points in wall construction which have to be considered as an essential part of the stucco specification. Masonry and concrete walls are superior to frame walls because of their greater stability. The chief requirements of such walls are that they should be straight and provide a good mechanical key. Concrete and concrete block should preferably be rough and of coarse texture, brick should be laid in cement mortar with joints raked out at least $\frac{3}{8}$ in., and terra cotta tile should be laid in cement mortar and be provided with deep dovetail scoring.

To insure proper adhesion of the stucco, all concrete and masonry backings should be thoroughly cleaned and properly wetted before the coating is applied. It has been established that the "suction," or absorption, of concrete and masonry backings, and particularly of undercoats, is a very important factor among those which determine the permanency and appearance of stucco finishes. The general rule to be followed is to wet the surface only to such a degree that water will not be too rapidly absorbed from the plaster, and to avoid wetting the surface to saturation.

Frame structures to be covered with stucco require special bracing to prevent racking, and good foundations to prevent settlement. Small movements of this nature will injure stucco where wood finish would not be affected. Diagonal braces of 1×6-in. boards, 6 or 8 ft. long, let into the studs on their inner sides at the upper and lower corners of each wall, and bridging between the studs at least once in each story height, should be specified for the bracing of frame walls. If the walls are to be sheathed, this bracing is not so necessary, but neither is it entirely superfluous. Studs are usually 2×4 in., placed 16 in. on centers when sheathing is used, and 12 in. when sheathing is not used (unless ribbed or stiffened lath is to be applied, in which case the spacing may be 16 in.). Studs should also be run from sills to eaves, without intervening horizontal members, to avoid any lack of uniformity or point of weakness in the wall construction.

The frame stucco structure may be sheathed or not, as preferred. There are advantages in both methods, and the present tendency is to omit the sheathing and use what is known as the back plastered type of construction. In this the lath (which is preferably of the self-furring type) is nailed or stapled directly to the studs, and after two coats of the stucco have been applied to the exterior, the wall is back plastered on the inside of the lath to embed the lath completely and to form a heavier wall. This back plastered coat usually finishes $\frac{1}{4}$ in. or more back of the faces of the studs and helps to stiffen the entire frame. A wall so constructed, of course, loses the insulating value of the sheathing, and to compensate for this a layer of felt or other insulating material is usually applied between the studs in such manner as to form a double air space between the inside and outside plaster.

If sheathing is used, it should be laid horizontally across the wall studs, and not diagonally, notwithstanding the fact that the latter method is common practice in many sections of the country. Over the sheathing should be laid a good grade of waterproof paper, each course lapping 2 in. over the upper edge of the course below. If separate furring is used, this is next applied over the waterproof paper and along the line of the studs, but for economy self-furring lath is to be recommended in preference to the use of separate furring. The lath should be applied in such a manner as to form as nearly as possible a uniform fabric over the structure. Particular attention should be given to thoroughly tying and lacing the joints of the lath with galvanized wire, and the nailing or stapling should be not more than 6 or 8 in. apart over the furring. Rigidity and uniformity in the lath fabric are essential to successful stucco on frame structures.

The merit of wood lath as a base for cement stucco is the subject of never ending controversy. The writer's observations have led him to the conclusion that, if properly used, wood lath *may* give satisfactory results, but if applied in the ordinary manner as for interior plastering, it is not a suitable base for this type of stucco. The main argument for wood lath as compared with metal lath is the liability of the latter to corrosion, but tests and long exposures under actual service conditions have shown that cement stucco applied in accordance with the recommendations to be given in later paragraphs will protect metal lath indefinitely from corrosion. The use of wood lath for cement stucco is somewhat analogous to the use of wood strips as reinforcement for cement mortar or concrete; in either case metal is much to be preferred.

75. Materials.—The essential ingredients of a good stucco are three,—viz: Portland cement of good quality, sand or screenings from crushed stone or crushed gravel, and clean water. The sand or screenings should be well graded in size, and all should pass through a No. 8 screen. Other materials are frequently used,—*e.g.*, hydrated lime, hair or fiber, and coloring matter. Whenever hydrated lime is specified, dry hydrated lime is much to be preferred to slaked lump lime in the form of putty, since the former can be more thoroughly mixed with the other ingredients. Hair or fiber is commonly added to the first coat of stucco applied to metal lath, and if used it should be clean and thoroughly distributed through the mortar. Coloring matter for tinting purposes should consist only of non-fading mineral pigments.

Under this heading mention may be made of the possibility of using the so-called "blended cements" with good results in stucco. A blended cement is a mixture of Portland cement and sand or other inert material, ground together until the whole is approximately of the same fineness as ordinary cement. Experimental results obtained with materials of this type have been highly satisfactory, and there is every reason to believe that blended cements may play an important part in the further improvement of stuccos.

76. Tools.—The tools required for the mixing and application of stucco are few and simple. The mixer uses the ordinary implements—shovel, hoe, bucket, hod, and mixing box. The plasterer requires hawk, trowel, wooden float, rod, and darby. These tools are the same that have been used in the plasterer's trade for generations, and there is no change in modern practice except for the tendency to introduce machine mixing, which is unquestionably a step forward. Machines have also been developed for the application of stucco, but these have not yet come into general use. An exception might be made of the cement gun, which has been used to a considerable extent on large scale operations with good results.

77. Mixing.—Thorough mixing of the stucco mortar is essential. For this reason machine mixing is always to be preferred to hand mixing, but of course, the machine is not always available. Careful measurement of all ingredients, including the water, is also essential, for the separate batches, especially of the finish coat, must be absolutely alike in color and consistency. Care and the use of such methods as will insure uniform proportions, will produce satisfactory results in this respect. A good rule to follow in machine mixing is to run the mixer 5 min. after all the ingredients of the batch are introduced. In hand mixing the dry ingredients should be hoed back and forth until the color is uniform, the water then added, and the mixing continued for 10 to 15 min., until the consistency is uniform. Attention may be called to the importance of using the proper amount of water in the mix, which may be specified as the least amount of water that will produce a mortar of good workable consistency.

78. Mortar Coats.—There is much difference of opinion in regard to the best mixtures and methods of application of stucco, and the following summary of recommended practice is compiled from the latest available recommendations of the Bureau of Standards, the Portland Cement Association, the American Concrete Institute, and the Associated Metal Lath Manufacturers. A number of these points might well be discussed at greater length, but space does not permit.

Proportions.—The present tendency is toward the use of leaner mixtures than have been specified in the past A good general formula for stucco mortar is 1 sack of cement to 3 cu. ft. of sand or stone screenings. If the sand or screenings are well graded, and contain a considerable amount of fine material, a larger proportion of aggregate should be used. The reason for the use of lean mixtures is that the tendency of cement mortars to expand and contract under varying moisture conditions is approximately proportional to their cement content. As this movement is the chief cause of structural defects in stuccos, the advantage of using lean mixtures is apparent. The plasticity of these mixtures can be improved by additions of hydrated lime, but such additions should be in the proportion of not more than 10 lb. of lime to a sack of cement. Hair may be used in the scratch coat on metal lath which is to be back plastered, but it should not be used in any coat on metal lath over sheathing (unless furring deeper than ⅜ in. is used) nor on any type of masonry backing.

Waterproofing.—Waterproofing materials of any type should not be necessary in properly mixed and applied cement stucco. Stucco will absorb water to some extent in rainy weather, but this is not injurious.

Number and Thickness of Coats.—First class stucco should be three-coat work. Two-coat work is permissible when the walls upon which the stucco is applied are nearly true planes, or when circumstances are such that a first class finish is not required. The first or scratch coat should thoroughly cover and bond firmly to the base, since it must carry the weight of the body of the stucco. It should be at least ¼ in. in thickness to receive the rough scoring which provides the mechanical key for the second coat. The second coat is usually applied the day following the application of the scratch coat, and as its function is to straighten the wall, it will require an average thick-

ness of ⅜ to ½ in. When the second coat has been straightened and has partially stiffened, it is gone over with a wood float to compact it properly, and is then lightly scored. The finish coat should not be applied for several days (the longer the better) after the first and second coats are in place. The delay allows the greater part of the initial shrinkage of the undercoats to take place, and the finish is thus less likely to crack from slight subsequent movements in the body of the stucco.

Wetting and Curing.—Wetting of each coat is necessary before applying the succeeding coat, to prevent excessive absorption or "suction" of water from the fresh coat. It is also desirable to cure the second coat by keeping it damp for 2 or 3 days following its application, and the same treatment should be given the finish coat. Fresh coats should be protected when necessary from sun, rain, and freezing, and as a general rule exterior plastering should not be allowed to go on under extreme weather conditions.

79. Finishes.—Stucco finishes may be divided into three groups according to texture: (1) Dash finishes of the "wet" and "dry" types, (2) smooth finishes comprising the various modifications of float finishes, and (3) exposed aggregates. The quality and cost of these finishes are approximately in the order given above, as are also the skill and experience required of the plasterer to execute them succesfully.

The wet dash finishes include the "rough cast," which is obtained by throwing with a paddle a mixture of cement grout and pebbles of such size as to produce the desired texture against a thin coat of fresh mortar; the "spatter dash," which is obtained in much the same manner as the rough cast but with a very thin mixture of cement and coarse sand or stone screenings; and the "sand spray" or "broom dash" which is obtained by applying a creamy mixture of cement and sand with a whisk broom or long fiber brush. All these finishes are of comparatively low cost, and owing to their rough texture have the advantage of hiding the very fine shrinkage cracks which always develop to a greater or less extent. These features contribute to the popularity of the dash finishes, and they are to be generally recommended.

To some the wet dashes are objectionable because of their dull uniform cement color. This may be improved by the use of white Portland cement in the finish coat, lightly tinted with mortar colors. Another means of avoiding this objection is the use of dry dashes, which consist of clean pebbles or marble and stone chips of various colors, thrown forcibly against a "better coat" of fresh mortar, so that they adhere to and cover the surface. In cement stucco this is a difficult finish to execute properly, but when well done it produces an acceptable color and texture quite different in character from that of the wet dashes.

The sand float finish, when intelligently and skillfully executed by experienced plasterers, is one of the most acceptable of stucco finishes. Too often it is attempted when neither architect nor plasterer are aware of the difficulties in the way of obtaining satisfactory results. The fundamental conditions of a successful sand float finish are a lean mixture and a plasterer trained in the art of stuccoing. Not less than three parts and preferably more, of well graded sand with one part of Portland cement can be definitely specified for the mixture. After the straightening coat has been dampened, the finish coat is applied in a ¼-in. layer, carefully straightened and floated. Finally when the coat has well stiffened, a water float is given. The result depends mainly on the quality of workmanship. The float marks, blotches, and scaffold laps should be eliminated, and the color of the finished surface should be uniform and toned by the color of the aggregate. The lean mixture and the proper timing of the final floating will prevent the formation of craze and map cracks; the skill of the plasterer must do the rest.

The exposed aggregate finish is more properly designated as a surface treated concrete, although the name has frequently been applied to ordinary trowelled or floated surfaces which are given a final scrubbing treatment with brush and water, or a cleaning with acid. The exposed aggregate finish, as the term is here used, is obtained by applying a finish coat of mortar containing carefully selected and graded aggregate, in which coarse particles from ⅛ to ¼ in. or larger predominate. When this coat has stiffened to the desired degree, the surface film of cement and finer aggregate is removed by wire brushing, and the coat is left to harden and dry out. It is then cleaned with acid and finally washed with clean water. When this finish is properly executed, the color of the aggregate should predominate and determine the color of the finished surface. This treatment is capable of producing most beautiful effects and easily takes first rank among all stucco finishes.[1]

[1] Further information regarding the exposed aggregate finish, with photographs, is contained in a paper, "New Developments in Surface Treated Concrete and Stucco," Pearson and Earley, Proc. A.C.I., vol. xvi, 1920.

80. Other Types of Stucco.—Aside from Portland cement stucco, which is the type most widely used, there are two others which deserve mention.

One of these is the lime stucco of earlier days, of which many splendid examples are still in existence. The question arises, why were these lime stuccos almost wholly abandoned in favor of Portland cement, when their quality and durability are evidenced by the fact that some of them have endured for more than a century? From examination of some of the well known lime stuccos of Germantown Pa., and elsewhere, the writer is of the opinion that the conditions under which these stuccos were built are conditions of the past (houses with 18-in. stone walls, lime slaked 12 months before use, mortar applied in thin coats, and each left to harden for an indefinite time); these were conditions highly favorable to lime stucco, but they no longer obtain. It is true that there are satisfacory stuccos of the present period in which varying proportions of lime and cement have been used, many of them no doubt containing more lime than cement, but so many failures may be traced directly to faulty combinations of these materials, and so much evidence has accumulated to demonstrate the superiority and greater reliability of Portland cement, that mixtures containing more than 20 to 25 % of lime by volume should be avoided in modern practice.

Within the last 5 or 6 yr., a new and promising type of stucco has been marketed as a proprietary product by a number of competing manufacturers. This material, commonly known as magnesite stucco, is a mixture of magnesium oxide, sand, asbestos, and other fillers, and when gaged with a solution of magnesium chloride, forms a plastic mortar which develops a strength comparable with that of Portland cement mortar. As a stucco it has certain advantages over Portland cement stucco, the chief of which are greater plasticity, greater flexibiity, and the fact that it can be applied without injury in freezing weather. Its greater flexibility and low volume change also allow it to be applied to bases less suitable for Portland cement stucco,—e. g., wood lath of various types. On the other hand, its chief disadvantages are: intrinsically high cost, low resistance to the action of water and continued dampness, its tendency to corrode metal lath, and the present necessity for obtaining all materials and ingredients from the manufacturers. The lack of complete information regarding the properties and characteristics of the cementing materials, and the lack of specifications which will insure the quality of the finished product are the chief reasons for a conservative attitude toward magnesite stucco at the present time.

GYPSUM AND GYPSUM PRODUCTS

Pure gypsum is hydrous calcium sulphate,—i.e., calcium sulphate carrying water of crystallizaton. Its chemical formula is $CaSO_4 + 2H_2O$.

81. Gypsum Plasters.—Where gypsum is heated to a temperature between 250 and 400 deg. F., it loses about three-fourths of its combined water and the calcined product is known commercially as *Plaster of Paris*. This product, when finely powdered and mixed with water, takes up in combination as much water as it lost through calcination and becomes rigid, or" set", through recrystallization.

As found in nature, gypsum contains impurities, such as SiO_2, AL_2O_3 and Fe_2O_3, $CaCO_3$ and $MgCO_3$. If these impurities or substances such as fiber, added for the purpose, are present in the calcined product, they retard setting; and such gypsum plasters are termed "slow-setting." *Cement plasters*, so called, are gypsum plasters and may be either slow or fast setting.

By calcining gypsum above 900 deg. F., a very hard *flooring plaster* is produced, which sets very slowly. *Keene's cement* is obtained by calcining pure gypsum at red heat, immersing it in an alum bath, then drying and calcining it again. *Mack's cement* is dehydrated gypsum mixed with 0.4 % of sodium or potassium sulphate. This plaster takes a quick, hard and durable set and is used for floorings or for stuccoing on walls and ceilings.

82. Classification of Calcined Gypsum and Gypsum Plasters.—The report of Committee C-11 of the A.S.T.M., rendered in June 1919, sets forth in detail a classification of calcined gypsum as follows:

Calcined gypsum is divided into three classes, on the basis of its purity, as follows:

Class A.—Containing not less than 88.4% of $CaSO_4 + \frac{1}{2}H_2O$ if partially dehydrated, or not less than 87.6% of $CaSO_4$ if totally dehydrated (these figures correspond to 90% purity in the raw gypsum rock).

Class AA.—Containing not less than 71.7% of $CaSO_4 + \frac{1}{2}H_2O$ if partially dehydrated, or not less than 70.4% of $CaSO_4$ if totally dehydrated, nor more than the similar quantities specified for Class A (these figures correspond to 75% purity in the raw gypsum rock).

Class AAA.—Containing not less than 60.5% of $CaSO_4 + \frac{1}{2}H_2O$ if partially dehydrated, or not less than 59% of $CaSO_4$ if totally dehydrated, nor more than the similar quantities specified for Class AA (these figures correspond to 64.5% purity in the raw gypsum rock).

Physical Properties.—Partially calcined gypsum (all classes) shall set in not less than 10 nor more than 50 min. Calcined gypsum (all classes) may be sold in one of the following sizes:

No. 4.—Material of this size shall all pass an 8-mesh sieve, and not less than 40 nor more than 60% of it shall pass a 100-mesh sieve.

No. 5.—Material of this size shall all pass a 14-mesh sieve, and not less than 60 nor more than 80% of it shall pass a 100-mesh sieve.

No. 6.—Material of this size shall all pass a 28-mesh sieve, and not less than 80% of it shall pass a 100-mesh sieve.

Partially calcined gypsum (all classes) when mixed with water to form a paste of normal consistency, which is molded into briquettes and allowed to set until dry, shall have a tensile strength of not less than 100 lb. per sq in.

Partially calcined gypsum (all classes) when mixed with water to form a paste of normal consistency, which is then molded into cylinders 4 in. high by 2 in. in diameter and allowed to set until dry, shall have a compressive strength of not less than 1000 lb. per sq. in.

The same committee has also submitted a tentative report on gypsum plasters, a portion of which is quoted below.

Ready Mixed Gypsum Plaster.—Ready-mixed gypsum plaster is a plastering material in which the predominating cementitious material is calcined gypsum, and which is mixed at the mill with all the constituent parts in their proper proportion. It requires only the addition of water to make it ready for use.

(*a*) Scratch or First Coat.—Ready mixed gypsum plaster shall contain not more than two-thirds by weight of sand. The remainder shall contain not less than 75% of its weight of calcined gypsum. The other 25% of this remainder may be hydrated lime, ground clay, retarder, or fiber.

(*b*) Browning or Second Coat.—Not more than 75% by weight of the ready-mixed gypsum plaster shall be sand. The remainder shall contain not less than 75% by weight of calcined gypsum. The other 25% of this remainder may be hydrated lime, ground clay, retarder or fiber, but not Portland or other hydraulic cement.

(*a*) Scratch or First Coat.—This plaster shall set in not less than 1½ nor more than 5 hr.

(*b*) Browning or Second Coat.—This plaster shall set in not less than 2 nor more than 6 hr.

(*a*) Scratch or First Coat.—Briquettes made of this plaster shall have a tensile strength of not less than 50 lb. per sq. in.

(*b*) Browning or Second Coat.—Briquettes made of this plaster shall have a tensile strength of not less than 40 lb. per sq. in.

Neat Gypsum Plaster.—Neat gypsum plaster is a plastering material in which not less than 85% of the cementitious material is calcined gypsum, mixed at the mill with other material in their proper proportion.

Neat gypsum plaster shall contain not less than 85% by weight of calcined gypsum. The remainder shall be hydrated lime, ground clay, asbestos, retarder, or fiber. It shall contain no Portland or other hydraulic cement.

Briquettes made of neat gypsum plaster shall have a tensile strength of not less than 100 lb. per sq. in.

Gypsum Wood Fiber Plaster.—Gypsum wood-fiber plaster is a gypsum plaster in which fiber is used as the aggregate.

Gypsum wood-fiber plaster shall contain not less than 80% by weight of calcined gypsum and not less than 1% of wood fiber made from a non-staining wood. The remainder shall be composed of hydrated lime, ground clay, asbestos, sand, or retarder. It shall contain no Portland or other hydraulic cement.

Gypsum wood-fiber plaster shall set in not less than 1½ nor more than 6 hr.

Briquettes made of gypsum wood-fiber plaster shall have a tensile strength of not less than 100 lb. per sq. in.

Calcined Gypsum for White or Gray Finished Coat.—(*a*) Calcined gypsum is the product made by mechanical process resulting from the partial (incomplete) or complete dehydration of gypsum by means of heat.

(*b*) These specifications cover two grades of calcium gypsum, *white* and *gray*.

Calcined gypsum for white or gray finishing coat shall all pass through a 14-mesh sieve, and not less than 60% shall pass through a 100-mesh sieve.

Calcined gypsum for white or gray finishing coat shall set in not less than 20 min. nor more than 3 hr.

Briquettes made of calcined gypsum for white or gray finishing coat shall have a tensile strength of not less than 200 lb. per sq. in.

Molding Plaster.—The requirements for molding plaster shall be as given in specifications for calcined gypsum for white or gray finishing coat, with the following exception: Molding plaster shall set in not less than 10 nor more than 40 min.

Casting Plaster.—The requirements for casting plaster shall be as given in specifications for calcined gypsum for white or gray finishing coat.

Finish Coats.—Material for trowel or smooth finish shall be composed of lime putty and calcined gypsum, white or gray. The proportion of calcined gypsum and lime putty shall be varied according to the season of the year and the only practical method is to permit the experienced mechanic to use his judgment as to the proportion



FIG. 3.—Construction of gypsum plaster board partition.

of each according to the time of the year when the material is being applied, to make a proper finish. As a guide to the mechanic, 75% by volume of lime putty and 25% by volume of calcined gypsum is recommended.

Material for sand float or rough finish shall be composed of lime putty and calcined gypsum in the following proportions: Lime putty 1 part by volume, sand 3 parts by volume; these two materials are thoroughly mixed; before applying, mix 1 part by volume of calcined gypsum with not more than 9 parts of this mixture.

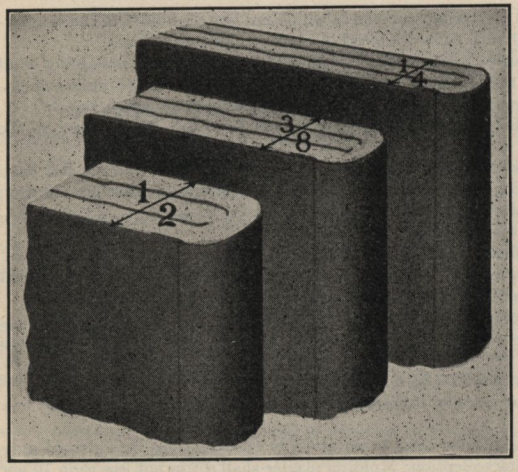


FIG. 4—Showing construction of Sackett plaster board. Note folded edge and alternate layers of felt and gypsum.

83. Gypsum Products.—*Gypsum plaster board, gypsum wall board, gypsum wall tile,* and other formed building products are made from calcined gypsum mixed with various aggregates, such as fiber, wood-pulp, etc. (see pp. 934 and 935). They are molded as units by various processes and supplied ready to place on the job.

83*a*. Gypsum Plaster Board.[1]—Gypsum plaster boards are used as a sheet lath or base for gypsum plaster on walls, ceilings, and partitions on the interior of buildings.

Gypsum plaster board shall consist of sheets or slabs composed of one or more layers of hydrated gypsum plaster, with or without fiber, reinforced on the surface with chip board, or felt. The thickness of plaster boards shall average not less than the following:

[1] From report of Committee C-11, A.S.T.M., June, 1919.

⅜ in. thick with permissible local variations of 1/16 in. plus or minus, and the thickness at any point in the board shall not be less than ¼ in.

5/16 in. thick with permissible local variations of 1/16 in. plus or minus, and the thickness at any point in the board shall not be less than ⅜ in.

¼ in. thick with permissible local variations of 1/16 in. plus or minus, and the thickness at any point in the board shall not be less than ⅜ in.

The width shall be 32 in. with a permissible variation of ¼ in. less than the dimension specified, and the length shall be 24, 36, or 48 in. with a permissible variation of ½ in. plus or minus.

Unless otherwise specifically stated in the order, plaster boards of the widths specified and in lengths of 18 and 30 in. may be included in amount not exceeding 5% of any single car load.

The weight per thousand square feet of plaster board shall conform to the following:

For ⅜ in. thick, not less than 1500 nor more than 2000 lb.

For 5/16 in. thick, not less than 1250 nor more than 1600 lb.

For ¼ in. thick, not less than 1200 nor more than 1500 lb.

Strength test samples shall be 12 in. wide and approximately 18 in. long, and when tested shall be supported on parallel knife edge bearings spaced 16 in. and loaded through a similar bearing midway between the supports.

When tested as described, samples taken from the plaster boards shall carry not less than the following loads:

Thickness (inches)	Load	
	Stress across fiber of surfacing (pounds)	Stress parallel with fiber of surfacing (pounds)
⅜	40	20
5/16	a } to be determined by committee	a } to be determined by committee
¼	a }	a }

The minimum acceptable strength shall be not less than 5 lb. below the average given.

Samples tested shall fail by rupture of the surfacing and core and not by the breaking of the bond between the surfacing and the core.

Gypsum plaster boards shall be shipped so as to be kept dry and free from injury. Each board shall be plainly labeled with the name of the brand and of the manufacturer.

Gypsum plaster boards shall conform to the foregoing requirements and shall be tested as provided for above when determining their strength. Plaster boards may be rejected upon the failure to conform to any of the foregoing requirements.

83b. Gypsum Wall Board.[1]—Gypsum wall boards are used without plaster coatings, as a finish on walls, ceilings, and partitions on the interior of buildings.

Gypsum wall board shall consist of sheets or slabs composed of a layer of hydrated gypsum plaster with or without fiber, and a surfacing of chip or manilla board on both sides.

The thickness shall average not less than ⅜ in. with permissible local variations of 1/32 in. plus or minus, and the thickness at any point in the board shall not be less than 5/16 in.

Where the wall boards are to be laid with joints butted, the width shall be 32, 36, or 48 in. with a permissible variation of 3/32 in., plus or minus. Where the joints are to be filled with joint filler, the width shall be 31¾, 35¾, or 47¾ in. with a permissible variation of 3/32 in. plus or minus. The length shall be 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or 10 ft. with a permissible variation of ⅜ in. plus or minus.

The weight shall be not less than 1500 nor more than 2000 lb. per thousand square feet of wall board.

Strength tests samples shall be 12 in. wide and approximately 18 in. long, and when tested shall be supported on parallel knife-edge bearings spaced 16 in. and loaded through a similar bearing midway between the supports.

Such samples taken from the wall boards shall carry a load of not less than 80 lb. when the line of the supports is at right angles to the direction of the fiber of the surfacing, and not less than 32 lb. when the line of the supports is parallel to the fiber of the surfacing.

Samples tested shall fail by rupture of the surfacing and core and not by the breaking of the bond between the surfacing and the core.

The cores shall consist of hydrated calcined gypsum plaster to which may be added not to exceed 15% by weight of sawdust or other vegetable fiber intimately mixed. Cores shall be of sufficient thickness throughout to make the finished product.

The surfacing material shall be composed of plain chip, manilla filled news, or other stock of the same general character containing sufficient sizing to meet the following conditions:

Samples of the finished wall board shall sustain a static head of 1 in. of water (confined within a 2-in. ring on either of the surfaces of the board) for a period of not less than 2 hr. without penetrating the surface sufficiently to stain the core.

[1] From report of Committee C-11, A.S.T.M., June, 1919.

The surfacing material shall completely cover the two larger faces of the core and shall be securely bonded to it.

The surface designed to be exposed on erection shall be true and free from imperfections that would render the wall boards unfit for use with or without decoration. The edges and ends shall be straight and solid. Where wall boards are to be butted, the corners shall be square with both side edges. In cases where the joints are to be filled, the joints shall be square with both side edges, with a permissible variation of ⅛ in. in the full width of the boards. The finished product shall be dry and free from cracks and imperfections that would render such boards unfit for use.

83c. Gypsum Tile.[1]—Gypsum tile for non-bearing fire walls, partitions, and enclosures, and for furring the inside or outside of other walls, consists of hollow or solid tile or blocks which are manufactured at the mills and are delivered for erection on the building site.

Generally, gypsum tile consists of about 95% finely ground calcined gypsum uniformly mixed with from 2 to 5% by weight of fibrous material, this compound being mixed to a plastic state with water, and molded in the form of the desired units.

Commercial standard sizes and weights per square foot for the uses stated are about as follows:

1½-in. split furring (1½ × 12 × 30 in.)	4.9 lb.
2-in. split furring (2 × 12 × 30 in.)	9.4 lb.
1½-in. solid tile or block (1½ × 12 × 30 in.)	7.2 lb.
2-in. solid tile or block (2 × 12 × 30 in.)	9.4 lb.
3-in. hollow tile or block (3 × 12 × 30 in.)	9.4 lb.
4-in. hollow tile or block (4 × 12 × 30 in.)	13.0 lb.
5-in. hollow tile or block (5 × 12 × 30 in.)	15.6 lb.
5-in. solid tile or block (5 × 12 × 30 in.)	20.0 lb.
6-in. hollow tile or block (6 × 12 × 30 in.)	16.6 lb.
in. hollow tile or block (8 × 12 × 30 in.)	22.4 lb.

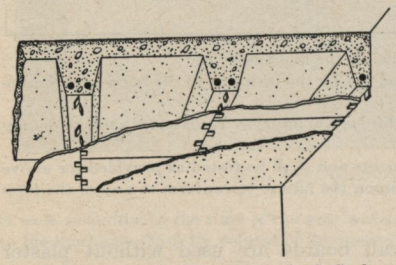


Fig. 5.—Showing application of Sackett soffit ceiling on reinforced concrete construction. Note how flanges of steel clips imbedded in concrete joists are bent each way holding Sackett board in place.

Special sizes of gypsum tile can be made to order in any size, thickness, or shape to meet requirements.

For ventilation ducts or special construction the tile can be manufactured with one or both faces smooth and of any desired density and strength.

Gypsum plaster tile are used as a substitute for clay tile, cement blocks, brick, concrete, metal lath and plaster, sheet metal, and wood lath and plaster in the following nonbearing constructions:

Corridor walls, partitions, and wall furring.
Fire division walls.
Elevator, stairway, and dumb waiter enclosures.
Light wells, pipe chases, and vent ducts.
Floor fillers, also roof fillers for insulating purposes.
False columns, pilasters, etc.

In buildings of fireproof construction or for any construction required to be of high fire-resisting value, gypsum tile are used for the following, in addition to the uses (as stated) for the protection of combustible construction:

Non-bearing, "fire" or "fire division" walls.
Steel girder, truss beam, and lintel protection.

All partitions, walls, furring, etc., should be started upon solid flooring. In all fireproof buildings they should be started upon fireproof floor or other fireproof construction; and in all buildings "fire" or "fire division" walls should be constructed upon fireproof floors or fireproofed steel supporting beams or girders. All corners should be bonded, and connections to other walls should be suitably bonded or anchored.

Generally, gypsum furring should be laid up against the wall or partition to be furred and be securely wired or spiked to such. Free standing furring (not against a wall or partition) should be secured by metal separators spaced not further apart than 3 ft. in any direction.

Trim, grounds, chair rail and similar fixtures should be nailed directly to the tile or block. Black boards, heavy toilet fixtures, mantels, etc., should be secured to 2-in. nailing blocks which are nailed to and are full size of the end of the gypsum tile.

All tile construction, furring, girder, truss, beam, and lintel protection of gypsum should be laid up in a mortar composed of not less than one part of gypsum plaster to not more than two parts of clean sharp sand by weight. Steel construction may be protected by pouring the gypsum around the member in form work and to the required thickness. All door buck and similar framing should be anchored to the gypsum construction in a suitable manner.

In "The American Architect" for April 14, 1918, in treating of Reinforced Gypsum Roof Tile, the following mixing precautions and suggestions as to determination of strength are noted:

[1] This material supplied by V. G. Marani, Chief Engineer of the Gypsum Industries Association.

One of the important elements affecting the strength of reinforced gypsum appears to be the percentage of water used in making the plastic material. The percentage of water referred to is in the terms of weight. As a result of the scant attention usually given to the amount of water used in reinforced concrete construction, this matter in connection with the use of gypsum must receive careful attention.

It is proposed that the working stresses be based on the ultimate crushing strength of a cylinder whose height is twice its diameter and based either on a dry or wet test piece. There is scarcely any community in these days that does not afford facilities for simple compressive tests, and in the absence of such a testing apparatus any

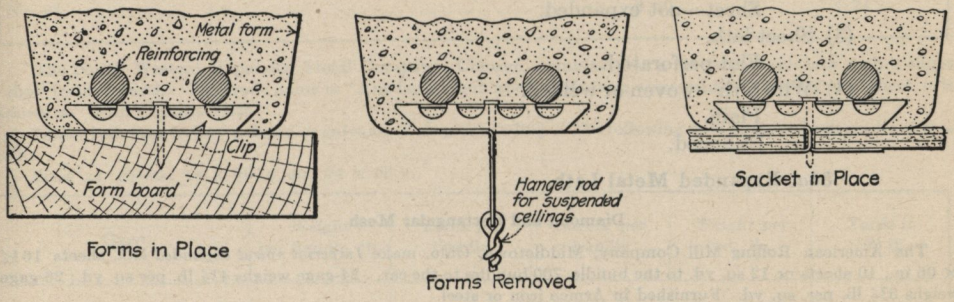


FIG. 6.

intelligent architect or contractor could construct such an apparatus on the lever principle and at a nominal expense.

A test cylinder 24 hr. old can be considered as a wet specimen; and a dry cylinder (3 in. in diameter and 6 in. in height) should be in a condition of constant weight within a period of 15 to 20 days, when exposed, during the time drying, to a temperature of 70 deg. F. under normal conditions. To hasten the drying (to constant weight) of dry test cylinders to within a week or less the specimens should be kept in a temperature not to exceed 100 deg. F.; and, if desired, the process of evaporation or drying may be hastened by fans or other artificial means. It is important, however, that the tests be made on both wet and dry specimens, and the least value obtained used.

It is true that this procedure involves an effort, but it is the only rational manner of establishing a working stress in materials whose strength is based on a combination of elements. As it requires but little time and simple equipment to determine the ultimate strengths of gypsum, there is no reasonable objection to the method proposed. In the case of reinforced concrete a period of 28 days would be necessary for testing, and this time is not always available; hence, the general use of arbitrary working stresses. Those accustomed to testing concrete are aware of the fact that under some conditions the arbitrary working stresses are much too low and are so established to make safe the use of variable materials and possible careless workmanship.

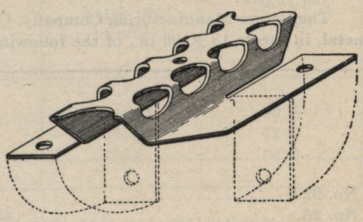


FIG. 7.—Metal clip.

With the use of the method of establishing the working stresses as proposed, there is no doubt but that the use of this material can be employed with safety and economy, as it is based on the materials actually used on the job and not on a supposed or assumed condition.

METAL LATH

The general function of metal lath is to form a support, background, or base, to which plaster or stucco may be applied. It is also by itself put to other uses, such as making lockers, register faces, etc. In its larger sizes and weights, it is used for reinforcement in concrete (see chapter on "Concrete Reinforcement").

All metal lath is furnished painted, asphaltum dipped, or galvanized, the earlier practice of furnishing the material untreated having been discontinued by the manufacturers. Galvanized metal lath is either manufactured from galvanized sheets or galvanized after manufacture.

84. Kinds of Metal Lath.[1]—Metal lath may be classified as follows:

[1] From Metal Lath Handbook published by the Associated Metal Lath Mfgrs.

(1) Expanded metal lath.
  Diamond and rectangular mesh.
  Ribbed lath.
  Corrugated lath.
(2) Integral lath, reinforced or stiffened, combining the functions of lath and studding.
  Expanded.
  Sheet—not expanded.
(3) Sheet lath.
  Flat perforated.
(4) Wire lath—woven or welded.
  Plain.
  Stiffened.

84a. Expanded Metal Lath.

Diamond and Rectangular Mesh

The American Rolling Mill Company, Middletown, Ohio, make *Imperial spiral expanded lath*, sheets 16¼ × 96 in., 10 sheets or 12 sq. yd. to the bundle, 700 bundles to the car. 24-gage weighs 4½ lb. per sq. yd.; 26-gage weighs 3⅜ lb. per. sq. yd. Furnished in Armco iron or steel.

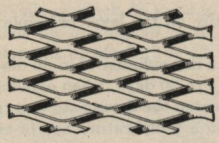


FIG. 8.—Expanded metal lath, diamond mesh.

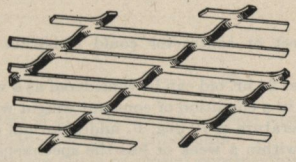


FIG. 9.—Expanded metal lath, rectangular mesh.

The Berger Manufacturing Company, Canton, Ohio, furnisnes *B. B. diamond mesh lath* made of steel or Toncan metal, in sheets 18 × 96 in., of the following gages:

Gage	Weight per bundle	Weight per yard	Yards in 100 lb.
No. 27	27½ lb.	2⅛ lb.	43
No. 26	30 lb.	2½ lb.	40
No. 25	36 lb.	3 lb.	34
No. 24	40½ lb.	3.4 lb.	29

The Berger Manufacturing Company also furnishes a *Standard expanded metal lath* in the following sizes:

Size sheets—26 ga., 21 × 96 in., weight 2.20 lb. per sq. yd.
Size sheets—24 ga., 22 × 96 in., weight 2.90 lb. per sq. yd.

The only difference between B. B. Lath and Standard Lath is the size of the mesh.

The Bostwick Steel Lath Company, Niles, Ohio, makes *"Diamond–A" expanded metal lath*, packed as follows, size of sheet 14 × 96 in.:

Gage	Sheets bundle	Yards bundle	Weight per sq. yd.
No. 27	20	20	2.55 lb.
No. 26	20	20	3 lb.
No. 25	20	20	3.4 lb.
No. 24	20	20	4.2 lb.

The General Fireproofing Company, Youngstown, Ohio, makes *Key expanded metal lath* in sheets 24 × 29 in. equal to 1⅞ sq. yd.; packed 15 sheets, equal to 26⅔ sq. yd. to the bundle.

Gage	Weights per sq. yd. painted, lb.	Galvanized, lb.
No. 27	2.30	2.73
No. 26	2.50	2.94
No. 25	3.05	3.32
No. 24	3.40	3.74

The North Western Expanded Metal Company, Chicago, manufactures a diamond mesh lath with a slight "dip" to the strand. The trade name is "*Kno-burn*," but when made from a special acid-resisting steel sheet, it is known as "20th Century Lath."

Either lath may be had painted or galvanized after expanding. The following data apply to both grades of this lath:

Sizes of sheets: 18 × 96 in. and 24 × 96 in.

Gage	Weight per bundle, lb.	Yards per bundle	Sheets per bundle	Weight per yd., lb.	Yards in 100 lb.
No. 27	27½	12	9	2⅛	43
No. 26	30	12	9	2½	40
No. 25	36	12	9	3.0	33⅓
No. 24	40½	12	9	3.4	29⅜

Add ¾ to 1 lb. per square yard to above weights when galvanized after expansion.

This company also manufactures *Eureka expanded metal lath* in the same type of mesh having a slightly larger opening. This material is made in the following sizes, painted or cut from galvanized sheets:

Gage	Size of sheets, in.	Sheets per bundle	Yards per bundle	Weight per bundle, lb.
No. 26	21 × 96	9	14	30.8
No. 24	22 × 96	9	14⅔	42.5
No. 22	22 × 96	9	14⅔	53.5

Add ¾ to 1 lb. per square yard for this lath if galvanized after expanding.

The Garry Iron & Steel Company, Niles, Ohio, makes *Garry expanded metal lath*, sheets 24 in. wide by 96 in. long, packed in bundles of 9 sheets containing 16 sq. yd., and in bundles of 18 sheets containing 32 sq. yd., furnished in 27, 26, 25, or 24-gage, painted, weighing as follows:

No. 27 gage	2½ lb.
No. 26 gage	2¾ lb.
No. 25 gage	3 lb.
No. 24 gage	3½ lb.

Galvanized weighs ⅛ lb. heavier. This lath is furnished in painted or galvanized material.

The Penn Metal Company, Boston, Mass., manufactures "*Penco*" (*trade-mark*) *diamond mesh "D" lath.*

	Width, in.	Length, in.	Weight per sq. yd., lb.	Sheets in bundle	Yards in bundle
No. 27 gage	24	96	2¼	9	16
No. 26 gage	24	96	2½	9	16
No. 25 gage	24	96	2¾ (or 3)	9	16
No. 24 gage	24	96	3 (or 3.4)	9	16
No. 22 gage	24	96	4	9	16

All U. S. Standard gage. Made in steel, painted or galvanized; also "Hampton" rust-resisting metal. When galvanized, add approximately ½ lb. per sq. yd. to above weights.

The Consolidated Expanded Metal Co., New York City, manufactures "*Steelcrete*" (*trade-mark*) *diamond and oblong mesh laths.* These laths, when made from acid-resisting steel, bear also the name "Cop-Al."

The following data apply to "Steelcrete" lath:

Designation of diamond mesh lath	Gage	Weight lb. per yd.	Size of sheet, in.	Sheets per bundle	Yards per bundle
24–F	24	3.57	24 × 97	15	26.66
25–F	25	3.10	24 × 97	15	26.66
26–F	26	2.70	24 × 97	15	26.66
27–F	27	2.48	24 × 97	15	26.66
Details of Oblong Mesh Lath					
A–22	22	4.37	18 × 97	15	20
A–24	24	3.57	18 × 97	15	20
B–27	27	2.41	18 × 97	15	20

All sheet gages are U. S. Standard. These laths are furnished painted or manufactured from galvanized sheet. Also furnished galvanized after cutting. When cut from galvanized sheet, add 0.4 lb. per sq. yd. to above weights. When galvanized after expansion, add ¾ lb. per sq. yd. to above weights.

Ribbed Lath

The General Fireproofing Company, Youngstown, Ohio, is the manufacturer of *Herringbone expanded metal lath*, which may be had in three styles, "A," "BB," and "AAA," either painted or galvanized.

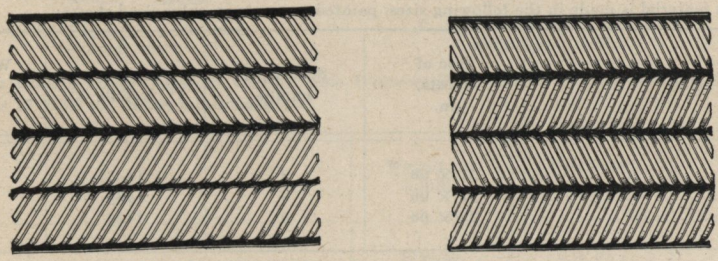


FIG. 10.—Herrringbone expanded metal lath, two types.

Style "A."—Sheets 13½ × 96 in., equal to square yard. Packed 20 sheets to the bundle, equal to 20 sq. yd. Size of mesh, 3/16 × 1 in.

Gage	Painted per sq. yd.	Galvanized per sq. yd.
No. 28	3.00 lb.	3.75 lb.

Style "BB."—Sheets 20¼ × 96 in. equal to 1½ sq. yd. Packed 15 sheets equal to 22½ sq. yd. to the bundle. Size of mesh, 7/32 × 1¼ in.

Gage	Painted per sq. yd.	Galvanized per sq. yd.
No. 27	2.25 lb.	2.82 lb.
No. 26	2.50 lb.	Not furnished
No. 24	3.37 lb.	3.91 lb.
No 22	4.21 lb.	Not furnished

Style "AAA."—The ribs in this style are made heavier than in the "BB" Herringbone. Gages, packing, and approximate weights per square yard as follows: Size of mesh, 7/32 × 1¼ in. Size of sheets, 18 × 96 in.—1⅓ sq. yd. Packed 15 sheets (20 sq. yd.) to the bundle.

Gage	Painted per sq. yd.	Galvanized per sq. yd.
No. 27	2.53 lb.	3.17 lb.
No. 26	2.81 lb.	Not furnished
No. 24	3.79 lb.	4.39 lb.
No. 22	4.74 lb	Not furnished

The Trussed Concrete Steel Company, Youngstown, Ohio, makes its *standard rib lath* (Fig. 11) in sheets of 21 × 96 in., packed 12 sheets to the bundle or 18½ sq. yd. Furnished painted in open hearth steel, copper-bearing steel, or pure iron. No. 1 grade weighs 2.72 lb. per sq. yd.; No. 2 grade weighs 3.40 lb. per sq. yd.; and No. 4 grade weighs 4.08 lb. per sq. yd.

This company also makes the beaded plate of *type A rib lath* (Fig. 12), which is heavier and more rigid, and permits of wider spacing. Made in sheets 15⅝ × 96 in. Packed 16 sheets to the bundle or 18½ sq. yd.

Grade	Weight per sq. yd.	Maximum stud spacing for walls (center to center)	Maximum joist spacing for ceilings (center to center)
No. 1-A	3.66 lb	18 in.	16 in.
No. 2-A	4.57 lb	20 in.	18 in.
No. 4-A	5.48 lb.	24 in.	22 in.

Furnished painted in open hearth steel, copper-bearing steel or pure iron.

Another type of lath manufactured by the Trussed Concrete Steel Company is known as "*B*" *rib lath*, which is very similar to the standard lath, but somewhat lighter, and with a greater expansion, made in sheets 25 × 96 in., packed in bundles containing 10 sheets, or 18½ yd. Rib lath No. 1-B grade weighs 2.28 lb. per sq. yd.; rib lath No. 2-B grade weighs 2.85 lb. per sq. yd., and rib lath No. 4-B grade weighs 3.43 lb. per sq. yd.

Three-eighths inch *Hy-Rib* (Six Rib) is manufactured in sheets 20 in. wide and in lengths of 6, 8, 10 and 12 ft., or intermediate lengths can be furnished (see Art. 130*a* and Fig. 30, p. 972). It is supplied painted in open hearth

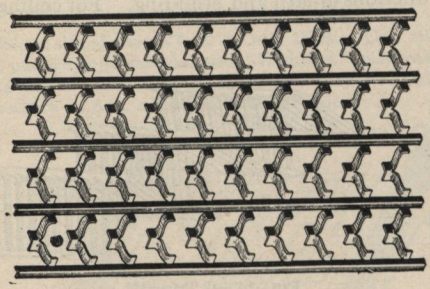


FIG. 11.—Standard rib lath.

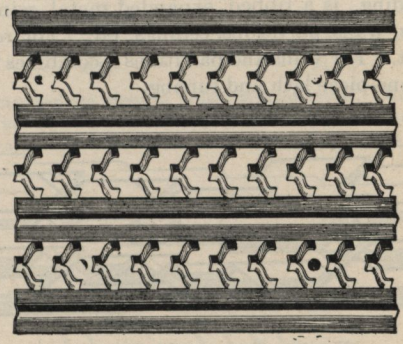


FIG. 12.—Type A rib lath.

steel, copper-bearing steel, or pure iron. No. 28 gage weighs 3.57 lb. per sq. yd.; No. 26 gage weighs 4.28 lb. per sq. yd.; and No. 24 gage weighs 5.72 lb. per sq. yd.

The Corrugated Bar Co., Buffalo, N. Y., manufactures "*Corr-Mesh*" *lath* (Fig. 31, p. 972) which has ribs 5/16 in. high, spaced 3 in. c. to c. The sheets are 18 in. wide and are carried in stock for prompt shipment in both painted material and manufactured from galvanized sheets of No. 24, No. 26, and No. 28 gages, in 6, 8, and 12-ft. lengths. Intermediate and shorter lengths are cut without additional charge, but any resulting waste is charged to purchaser. Corr-Mesh lath can also be furnished manufactured from No. 25 and No. 27 gages, and in special lengths, subject to the usual delay depending on mill shipment of the sheets. Corr-Mesh lath is shipped in quantities of even bundles of 12 sheets of the same length.

In ordering make no allowance for side laps. For ceilings, partitions, and interior furring, end laps are staggered and, if work is properly laid out, 2-in. end laps are sufficient. For exterior stucco construction, where ribs act as temperature reinforcement, end laps should stagger and be not less than 6 in.

The Penn Metal Company, Boston, Mass., manufactures "*Penco*" (*trade-mark*) *ribbed lath.*

Gage	Size of sheets	Weight per sq. yd.
A-22	18 × 96 in.	4½ lb.
A-24	18 × 96 in.	4 lb.
B-27	18 × 96 in.	2⅜ lb.

U. S. Standard gage. Made in steel, painted or galvanized; also "Hampton" rust-resisting metal. When furnished galvanized, add ½ lb. (approximately) per sq. yd. to above weights.

Corrugated Lath

Sykes Metal Lath & Roofing Company, Warren, Ohio, makes the *Sykes expanded cup lath*, self-furring, furnished with an anti-rust coating, painted black or galvanized. Sheets 18 × 96 in., packed in bundles of 15 sheets, containing 20 sq. yd. No. 27 gage weighs 2.8 lb. per sq. yd.; No. 26 gage weighs 3.0 lb. per sq. yd.; and No. 24 gage weighs 3.7 lb. per sq. yd.

The Garry Iron & Steel Company, Niles, Ohio, makes the "*Cleveland*" *lath*, which is a corrugated diamond mesh made in two grades, "A" and "B." Either grade may be had painted or galvanized. In estimating add ⅛ lb. per sq. yd. for galvanizing.

Gage	Size of sheets	Weight per sq. yd.	Sheets to bundle	Yards to bundle
No. A-27.....	16½ × 96 in.	3⅛ lb.	18	22
No. A-24.....	16½ × 96 in.	4 lb.	18	22
No. B-27.....	18 × 96 in.	2⅝ lb.	15	20
No. B-24.....	18 × 96 in.	3⅜ lb.	15	20

The North Western Expanded Metal Company, Chicago, Ill., is the manufacturer of "*Kno-Fur*" *lath*, having corrugations running obliquely across the sheets at the same angle as the strand of the mesh. This corrugation or "truss" gives the lath greater rigidity. The corrugation acts as a furring strip, therefore this lath is self-furring. Furnished painted or galvanized.

Gage	Size of sheets	Weight per sq. yd.	Sheets per bundle	Weight per bundle
No. 26.....	19½ × 96 in.	2.4 lb.	9	31.2 lb.
No. 24.....	20½ × 96 in.	3.08 lb.	9	4.2 lb.

84*b*. Integral Lath.—Reinforced or stiffened, combining the functions of lath and studding, is a ribbed expanded metal reinforcement used for the construction of concrete roofs, walls, partitions, ceilings, etc. For roofs and floors it acts as both form and reinforcement. For walls and partitions it combines the functions of lath and studding. For ceilings it is a one-piece lath and furring.

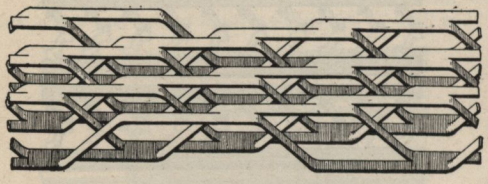


FIG. 13.—Truss metal lath.

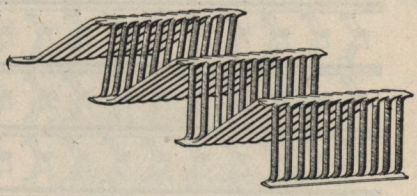


FIG. 14.—"Trussit".

Sheet is not expanded. It is a fabric having the same functions as one stiffened, in which the openings between the ribs are made by punching or perforating the sheet rather than expanding it laterally.

The American Rolling Mill Company, Middletown, Ohio, makes *truss metal lath* (Fig. 13). Stock size sheets 28 × 96 in. equal to 17½ sq. ft. Packed in crates containing 350 sq. ft. Special size sheets are furnished when desired. No. 26 gage weighs 80 lb. per 100 sq. ft. and No. 28 gage weighs 66.7 lb. per 100 sq. ft. Furnished in Armco iron or steel.

The General Fireproofing Company, Youngstown, Ohio, makes *Self-Sentering* (see Art. 130*c*, and Fig. 32 p. 973).

This company also makes a fabric known as "*Trussit*" in sheets (Fig. 14), the standard size of which is 19 × 96 in. Also carried in stock lengths of 8, 10, and 12 ft., as well as 8 ft. 4-in. lengths in No. 27 gage. Packed 10 sheets to a bundle.

Gage	Weight painted per sq. ft.	Weight galvanized per sq. ft.
No. 27.....	0.57 lb.	0.68 lb.
No. 26.....	0.62 lb.	Not made
No. 24.....	0.83 lb.	0.88 lb.

The North Western Expanded Metal Company, Chicago, Illinois, is a manufacturer of "*Chonnelath*" (see Art. 130*d* and Fig. 33, p. 973).

The Trussed Concrete Steel Company, Youngstown, Ohio, is the manufacturer of "*Hy-Rib*," of which there are three types (see Art. 130*a*, and Fig. 30, p. 972).

The Corrugated Bar Company, Buffalo, N. Y., manufactures "Corr-Mesh," a material with longitudinal ribs connected by diamond-shaped expanded metal mesh (see Art. 130*b* and Fig. 31, p. 972).

The Berger Manufacturing Company, Canton, Ohio, is a manufacturer of *Rib Truss*, which is made in widths of 24 in., and in stock lengths of 4, 5, 6, 8, 10 and 12 ft.

Gage	Weight per sq. yd.		
	1½-in. rib	¾-in. rib	1-in. rib
No. 27	73 lb.	78 lb.	83 lb.
No. 28	81 lb.	86 lb.	92 lb.
No. 26	88 lb.	94 lb.	100 lb.
No. 24	114 lb.	125 lb.	133 lb.

The Bostwick Steel Lath Company, Niles, Ohio, manufactures *Truss V-Rib*. Size of sheets 21 × 96 in. (Can be furnished in longer lengths if desired.) Area of sheet, 14 sq. ft. Packed 10 sheets to the bundle.

Gage	Weight per sheet
No. 24	15 lb.
No. 26	12 lb.
No. 28	9.85 lb.

The Penn Metal Company, Boston, Mass., is a manufacturer of "*Penco*" (*trade-mark*) "*Rib-Centering*" (Fig. 15) made in two types.

	Height of rib	Distance apart of ribs	Width
Style E	13/16 in.	4 in.	28 in.
Style G	13/16 in.	8 in.	24 in.

Stock size of sheets, 6, 8, 10 and 12 ft.. Can make intermediate sizes to order (without extra). Made in steel, painted or galvanized; also "Hampton" rust-resisting metal. Also furnished curved to any radius for centering arched floors, etc. No allowance need be made for side laps. End laps, over supports, should be 2 in., otherwise 6 to 8 in. according to construction.

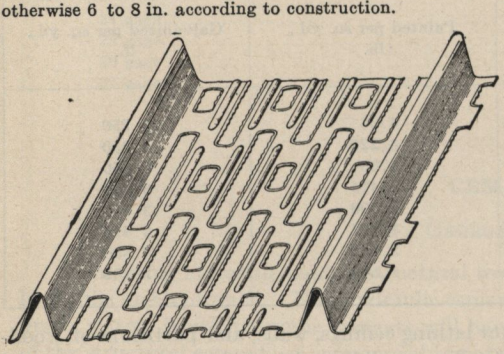


FIG. 15.—"Penco" rib-centering.

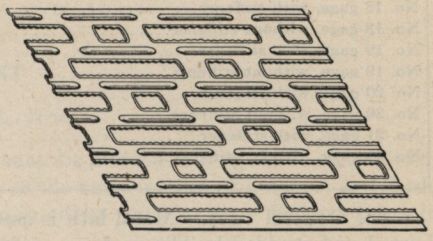


FIG. 16.—"Penco" sheet lath.

84c. Sheet Lath.—The American Rolling Mill Company, Middletown, Ohio, is the manufacturer of *Clincher lath*, which is made in sheets 13½ × 96 in. or 1 sq. yd., packed 10 sheets to the bundle, and 750 bundles to the car. It is made of No. 28 gage steel or Armco iron, and weighs 4½ lb. to the sq. yd.

The Bostwick Steel Lath Company, Niles, Ohio, is the manufacturer of "*Truss-Loop*" *lath*. The metal resulting from the perforation of the lath is folded back into a loop or reinforcement. This lath is furnished "painted" unless otherwise specified.

Sizes width, in.	Length, in.	For centers, in.	Sheets per bundle	Yards per bundle	Weight per bundle, lb.
13½	96	16 and 12	10	10	50
16¼	80	20 and 16	10	10	50
24	96	24 and 16	10	17⅓	86
Special No. 24 XXX					
16¼	80		10	10	80

The General Fireproofing Company, Youngstown, Ohio, makes "Genfire" *sheet steel lath* weighing 4⅝ lb. per sq. yd., and packed 10 sheets to the bundle. It is always furnished painted unless otherwise specified. Sheets 13½ × 96 in. equal to 1 sq. yd. Sheets 24 × 96 in. equal to 1⅓ sq. yd.

The Penn Metal Company, Boston, Mass., manufactures *Penco* (*trade mark*) *sheet lath* (Fig. 16).

Size of sheet	Sheets in bundle	Yards in bundle	Weight per sq. yd.
24 × 96 in.	10	15½	4½

Furnished in steel, painted or galvanized; also "Hampton" rust-resisting steel.

The Sykes Metal Lath & Roofing Company, Warren, Ohio, makes the *Sykes trough sheet lath*, either with anti-rust coating or painted, weighing 5 lb. per sq. yd.

Size of sheets	Sheets to bundle	Yards to bundle
13½ × 96	10	10
18½ × 96	9	12¼
23½ × 96	9	15⅔

84*d*. Wire Lath.—Woven wire lath is manufactured by the Clinton Wire Cloth Company of Clinton, Mass., Buffalo Wire Works Company, Buffalo, N. Y., and Roebling's Sons Company, Trenton, N. J., and is furnished with or without stiffeners which are either rods or V-shaped ribs running through the wire mesh to reinforce and stiffen it. It is supplied painted or galvanized after weaving.

The following weights, published by one of the manufacturers, may be taken as typical:

Description	Painted per sq. yd., lb.	Galvanized per sq. yd., lb.
No. 18 gage, with stiffener	4.05	5.250
No. 18 gage, without stiffener	3.225	4.050
No. 19 gage, with stiffener	3.33	4.350
No. 19 gage, without stiffener	2.475	3.150
No. 20 gage, with stiffener	2.700	3.750
No. 20 gage, without stiffener	1.817	2.475
No. 21 gage, with stiffener	2.400	3.330
No. 21 gage, without stiffener	1.500	2.100

85. General Uses.—Metal lath is used for lathing ceilings, walls, and partitions of wood-joisted and studded buildings; for suspended ceilings, solid partitions, hollow partitions, and ornamental plastering in the fire-resistive type of buildings; and as a base for exterior stucco on houses, barns, garages, and other types of frame buildings. Integral lath may be used as a form and reinforcement for light floor and roof slabs, as may also other special types of lath made by different manufacturers. Metal lath has developed from a specialty in fireproof construction to a staple base for plastering in every type of building. Fabrics expanded from heavier sheets of metal are largely used for reinforcing floors, walls, roads, pavements, etc.

When used against masonry walls, metal lath is applied either to wood furring strips, or to furring consisting of $\frac{3}{16}$-in. pencil rods or ½-in. crimped furring, so as to insure a "key" for the plaster and provide the requisite air space. When the integral type is used, furring is not required, as the ribs act as furring.

When expanded metal lath is used for solid partitions, suitable small structural steel members, usually ¾ or 1-in. channels are used as studs. The integral type of lath with ribs ¾ in. or more deep may be used without studs.

When metal lath is used on suspended ceilings and for ornamental plastering work, a supporting structural frame of flats, angles, and channels should be specifically called for. Where integral lath is used, the auxiliary channels for support may be omitted as the ribs support and stiffen the lath so that it may be attached directly to the flats or angles.

All furring for suspended or clipped ceilings shall be of sufficient weight and strength to support the load imposed and shall consist of at least ¾-in. channels or their equivalent for spans up to 5 ft., and not lighter than 1 × ⅜ × ⅛-in. channels or other approved sections of equivalent strength for spans up to 7 ft. The spacing of furring bars shall correspond with the type of lath used. For spans over 7 ft., the sectional area and the strength of furring bars shall be increased proportionately or intermediate supports shall be provided, of hangers or clips securely fastened to the bottom flanges of steel beams or anchored to the arch construction above. All supporting clips used for the purpose of receiving and supporting the furring bars for ceilings shall be made from stock weighing not less than 0.4 lb. per lin. ft. and of sufficient strength to sustain the dead load imposed.

Cross furred and suspended ceilings shall be constructed of continuous running bars equivalent in strength and sectional area to a 1½ × 1½ × 3/16-in. angle suspended by hangers from the lower flanges of the structural steel framing. The cross-furring shall be securely bolted or clipped to or passed through the running bars. If "hairpin" clips are used, they shall be of not less than No. 9 annealed and galvanized wire and shall pass up on both sides of the furring bar and be securely hooked over the running bar. The hangers shall be of not less than 1 × 3/16-in. flats, clamped to both sides of the steel beams.

Clipped ceilings shall be not more than 4 in. below the steel beams.

Bolts used for attaching running bars to hangers shall be not less than ⅜ in. in diameter and for attaching furring irons to running bars not less than ¼-in. bolts shall be used.

In the case of heavy ornamental ceiling work, special provision shall be made to sustain the load.

All expanded metal and sheet metal shall be not lighter than No. 27 U. S. gage galvanized, painted with an asphaltum compound or japanned. All wire lath shall be not lighter than No. 20 U. S. gage galvanized, painted with an asphaltum compound, or japanned.

For illustrated details for the construction of suspended ceilings see the Metal Lath Handbook published by the Associated Metal Lath Manufacturers.

86. Weight and Gage.—It is recommended that metal lath be specified by weight as well as by gage. The manufacturers are standardizing metal lath at the following weights for the gages given:

24 gage	3.4 lb. per sq. yd.
25 gage	3 lb. per sq. yd.
26 gage	2.5 lb. per sq. yd.
27 gage	2.3 lb. per sq. yd.

CEMENT

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Cementing materials used in structural work may be divided into two main classes—non-hydraulic and hydraulic. Non-hydraulic cements, as the name implies, will not set and harden under water; while hydraulic cements will harden in either water or air. Following is a list of the structural cements of commercial importance:

Non-hydraulic	Gypsum plasters
	Common lime
Hydraulic	Hydraulic lime
	(*Grappier cement*, a by-product)
	Puzzolan cement
	Natural cement
	Portland cement
	(Adulterated or modified Portland cement)

Gypsum plasters and common lime are treated in preceding chapters. This chapter treats of hydraulic cements only.

87. Hydraulic Lime.—Hydraulic lime is made by burning argillaceous or silicious limestone at a temperature not less than 1000°C. When showered with water the product slakes completely or partially without sensibly increasing in volume, and possesses hydraulic properties due to the combination of calcium with silica contained in the limestone as an impurity, forming calcium silicate. It is the universal practice to slake the lime at the place of manufacture on account of the better results obtained.

Grappier cement is a by-product in the manufacture of hydraulic lime, produced by grinding the lumps of underburned and overburned material which do not slake. As might be inferred, grappier cement possesses properties similar to those of hydraulic lime.

Hydraulic lime is not manufactured in the United States on account of the abundance of raw materials suitable for the manufacture of Portland cement, with which hydraulic lime cannot compete as a structural material. A number of hydraulic limes and grappier cements are marketed as "non-staining cements"—that is, they do not stain masonry. For this reason a considerable amount of this cementing material is annually imported from Europe for purposes of architectural decoration.

88. Puzzolan or Slag Cement.—Puzzolan cement is made by incorporating hydrated lime with a silicious material, such as granulated blast-furnace slag, of suitable fineness and chemical composition. In Europe a natural puzzolanic material, such as volcanic ash, is used at some plants in place of the blast-furnace slag.

Although this type of cement possesses hydraulic properties, it should not be confused with *slag Portland cement* (sometimes called *steel Portland Cement*) which is produced by calcining finely divided slag and lime in a kiln and pulverizing the resulting clinker.

Puzzolan cement is not strong or reliable as either natural or Portland cement and should be used only in unimportant structures or in unexposed work, such as foundations, where weight and bulk are more important than strength.

89. Natural Cement.—Natural cement, as its name implies, is made from rock as it occurs in nature. This rock is an argillaceous (clayey) limestone, or other suitable natural rock, and it is burned at a temperature of from 900 to 1300°C., the clinker being then finely pulverized. The product does not slake, but possesses strong hydraulic properties, calcium silicate being formed and acquiring strength and rigidity through crystallization.

Natural cement is adapted to many uses, but its relatively low strength and slow hardening limit its field to structures where high stresses will not be imposed for several months after placing the concrete, as in large or massive structures where weight and mass are more essential than early strength—that is, in such structures as dams, abutments, foundations, and many underground structures. Mortar made with natural cement (either alone or mixed with lime mortar) is excellent for laying ordinary brick and stone masonry.

90. Portland Cement.—Portland cement is made by finely pulverizing the clinker produced by burning a definite artificial mixture of silicious (containing silica), argillaceous (containing alumina), and calcareous (containing lime) materials to a point somewhat beyond where they begin to fuse or melt. The product is one that does not slake and possesses strong hydraulic properties. The essential components of Portland cement—namely: silica, alumina, and lime—are obtained from many different sources, but the proportions used of the raw materials are always such that the chemical composition of the different Portland cements is constant within narrow limits. The percentages of the principal components range about as follows:

SiO_2 %	Al_2O_3 %	Fe_2O_3 %	CaO %	MgO %
19 to 25	5 to 9	2 to 4	60 to 64	1.0 to 2.5

[Small amounts of alkalies (K_2O and Na_2O) and sulphur trioxide (SO_3) are also present. Magnesia (MgO) is considered by some as an impurity, while other investigators claim it is equivalent to lime (CaO) in its action. Alumina (Al_2O_3) and iron oxide (Fe_2O_3) do not act entirely alike but are usually considered to have the same functions.] The specific gravity of Portland cements range from 3.1 to 3.20, with an average of 3.15.

Portland cement is by far the most important cementing material used in modern engineering construction. It is adapted for use in concrete and mortar for all types of structures where strength is of special importance, or in structures exposed to wear or to the elements. It should invariably be employed in reinforced-concrete construction because of its high early strength and generally uniform quality.

A number of special cements employing Portland cement as a base are made by grinding in adulterating materials after calcination. These adulterants include clay, slaked lime, sand, slag, natural cement, limestones, and natural puzzolanic material or tufa. The action of these materials is essentially to promote combination between lime from the cement and silica from the adulterant, with formation of silicate of lime. In some cases these silicious adulterants improve the quality of concrete made from such cements, but this result cannot be expected from all forms of adulteration.

Sand and puzzolanic material have perhaps been used the most extensively and successfully of any of the adulterants, producing products known as *sand cement* and *tufa cement* respectively. These cements have been used principally on large work where freight rates are high and long wagon hauls combine to make the cost of undiluted Portland cement excessive. Cement specifications in common use are of a character to exclude any grinding in of materials after calcination, presumably on the ground that specifications permitting any adulteration would be subject to abuse so that the results obtained would be uncertain.

91. Setting and Hardening of Portland Cement.[1]—The setting and hardening of Portland cement is caused principally by hydration in the order named of the three major constituents— $3CaO \cdot Al_2O_3$· $3CaO \cdot SiO_2$, and $2CaO \cdot SiO_2$. When water is added to Portland cement, these constituents form first amorphous and later both crystalline and amorphous hydrated materials which act much as does ordinary glue, except that since they are of mineral origin and largely insoluble, hardening progresses even under water.

Of these hydration products, the compound tri-calcium aluminate ($3CaO \cdot Al_2O_3$) when mixed with water sets and hardens very quickly; tri-calcium silicate ($3CaO \cdot SiO_2$) sets and hardens somewhat less rapidly; and di-calcium silicate ($2CaO \cdot SiO_2$) reacts slowly. Hardening occurs only after the lapse of a long period of time. The *initial set* of cement is due undoubtedly to the hydration of $3CaO \cdot Al_2O_3$; the early hardness and cohesive strength is due to this hydration and to that of the $3CaO \cdot SiO_2$; while the gradual increase in strength is due to the further hydration of these two compounds together with the hydration of the $2CaO \cdot SiO_2$.

The compound $3CaO \cdot SiO_2$ appears to be the best cementing constituent of this group, as it is the only one of the three which when mixed with water will set and harden within a reasonable time to form a mass which is comparable in hardness and strength to Portland cement. Although $3CaO \cdot Al_2O_3$ acts and hardens rapidly, it is rather soluble in water and is not particularly durable or strong. The compound $2CaO \cdot SiO_2$, however, requires too long a time to harden to be in intself a valuable cementing material.

92. Testing of Cement.—For standard methods of cement testing, see Proc. A.S.T.M., 1917.

92*a*. Sampling.—Tests should be conducted only on representative samples. For methods of sampling, see Proc. A.S.T.M., 1917.

92*b*. Uniformity in Cement Testing.—In order to obtain results in cement testing which will be of the greatest value, definite and uniform methods should be used. Results depend not only on the quality of the cement but also on the temperature and percentage of water used in mixing, the method of mixing and molding test specimens, the temperature and humidity of the air, the character of the sand used, and the type of apparatus employed.

92*c*. The Personal Factor.—The personal factor has considerable effect on results obtained in cement testing and, on this account, only experienced, well-qualified men should be employed in making tests. Results by untrained or careless operators are really worse than nothing and may be positively misleading. The comparative results, however, by any one experienced observer are generally consistent and are of value. It is usually advisable to have the testing done at some well-established and properly equipped cement-testing laboratory.

92*d*. Kinds of Tests.—The following cement tests made regularly are recommended for construction work of importance and also in all cases where the cement to be used does not work satisfactorily:

Fineness.
Time of setting.
Tensile strength of standard mortar. (Compressive strength of standard mortar the best criterion.)
Soundness.

On unimportant construction it is generally safe to use a well-known brand of Portland cement without testing, or to make simply the test for soundness.

92*e*. Fineness.—Fine grinding has a great influence on the properties of cement. It increases the ability of the cement to react readily with water and enables the cement particles to coat the sand grains more thoroughly. In other words, the finer the cement, all other conditions being the same, the stronger will be the mortar produced with a given sand. Not less than 75 % passing a 200-mesh sieve should be adequate for most commercial work.

The fineness of cement is measured by determining the percentage by weight which will be retained on a standard 200-mesh sieve. Standard specifications[2] require that the residue shall not exceed 22 %. Most mills are now equipped to grind cement to such a fineness that even less than 10 % is retained.

[1] See KLEIN and PHILLIPS: *Tech. Paper*, 43, U. S. Bureau of Standards.
BATES AND KLEIN: *Tech Paper*, 78, U. S. Bureau of Standards.

[2] For standard specifications, see *Appendix B*, p. 1408.

92*f*. Normal Consistency.—Tests for setting, strength, and soundness are greatly influenced by the quantity of water used in mixing. In order to have all results comparable with one another, a determination is made in each case of the quantity of water necessary to be added to a given weight of cement to give a standard or normal consistency (see Proc. A.S.T.M., 1917).

92*g*. Time of Setting.—The time of setting of a cement may vary within wide limits and is no certain criterion of quality, but it is important in that it indicates whether or not the cement can be used advantageously in ordinary construction. A cement may set so quickly that it is worthless for use as a building material (since handling cement after it commences to set weakens it and causes it to disintegrate), or it may set so slowly that it will greatly delay the progress of the work.

Age of cement has a great effect upon the setting time, and tests should preferably be made after delivery of the cement on the work. Most cements absorb moisture from the air and lose some of their hydraulic property on storage.

Aside from the consideration of age, the conditions which accelerate setting are: finely ground and lightly burned material; dry atmosphere; small amount of water used in gaging; and high temperature of both water and air. Since the time of set is influenced by so many factors, tests should always be made with extreme care under standardized conditions.

There are two distinct stages in setting: (1) the initial set; and (2) the hard or final set. The best cements should be slow in taking the initial set but after that should harden rapidly. Portland cement should acquire the initial set in not less than 45 min. when the Vicat needle is used, and hard set in not more than 10 hr.[1] The time of initial set is controlled largely by the amount of sulphate (gypsum or *plaster of Paris*) which is added in making the cement.

A cement has taken its initial set when it will not thoroughly reunite along the surfaces of a break. It has taken its final set when it begins to have appreciable strength and hardness.

92*h*. Tensile Strength.—The object of testing cement in tension is to obtain some measure of the strength of the material in actual construction. In other words, tests of tensile strength are made primarily to determine whether the cement will be likely to have a continued and uniform hardening in the work, and whether it will have such strength when placed in mortar or concrete that it can be depended upon to withstand the strain placed upon it.

The small shapes made for testing are called *briquettes* and have a minimum cross-sectional area of 1 sq. in. —that is, at the place where they will break when tested. Standard mortar used in testing is composed of 1 part cement to 3 parts of standard sand from Ottawa, Ill.

It is customary to store the briquettes, immediately after making, in a damp atmosphere for 24 hr. They are then immersed in water until they are tested. This is done to secure uniformity of setting, and to prevent the drying out too quickly of the cement, thereby preventing shrinkage cracks which greatly reduce the strength.

Specifications for tensile strength of cement usually stipulate that the material must pass a minimum strength requirement at 7 and 28 days. This is required in order to determine the gain in strength between different dates of testing so that some idea may be obtained of the ultimate strength which the cement will attain. A first-class cement, when tested, should give the values for tensile strength stated in the standard specifications. (For standard methods of tests, see A.S.T.M., 1917.)

92*i*. Relation between Tensile and Compressive Strength.—Since cements are rarely depended upon to withstand tensile stresses, the test for tensile strength has undoubtedly become standard on account of the popular belief that there exists a more or less definite and constant relation between the tensile and compressive strengths. It can be shown, however, that the ratio of compressive to tensile strength of cement mixtures is by no means constant at all ages and varies greatly with different cements and with different mixtures. Thus the tensile strength cannot usually be regarded as any more than a very approximate indication of the probable compressive strength of the same cement.

92*j*. Compressive Strength.—Compressive strength of cement mortar is undoubtedly a better criterion by which to judge the suitability of a cement for use in construction. The American Society for Testing Materials has tentative specifications and methods of tests for compressive strength of Portland-cement mortar[2] which, when adopted as standard by the Society, will be inserted in and made a part of the American Specifications and Methods of Tests for Portland Cement.

[1] See Standard specifications in Appendix *B*, p. 1408.

[2] See *Proc.* of the Society, vol. xvi (1916), part I (pp. 590–593).

92*k*. Soundness.—A cement to be of value must be perfectly sound; that is, it must remain constant in volume and not swell, disintegrate, or crumble. Excess of either lime, magnesia, or sulphates may cause unsoundness. The usual method of testing is to form a small pat of neat cement about 3 in. in diameter, ½ in. thick at the center, and tapering to a thin edge. This pat should remain 24 hr. in moist air and 5 hr. in an atmosphere of steam at a temperature between 98 and 100°C. upon a suitable support 1 in. above boiling water. To pass the soundness test satisfactorily, the pat should remain firm and hard, and show no signs of cracking, distortion, checking or disintegration. The steam test is what is called an *accelerated* test and is for the purpose of developing in a short time (5 hr.) those qualities which tend to destroy the strength and durability of a cement.

92*l*. Specific Gravity.—A test for finding the specific gravity of Portland cement was originally considered to be of value in detecting adulteration and underburning, but is no longer thought to be of much importance in view of the fact that other tests lead to more definite conclusions. One trouble has been that specific gravity is not alone lowered by the above causes. Seasoning of either cement or cement clinker, for instance, although known to be desirable and in some cases absolutely necessary, lowers the specific gravity materially. On the other hand, many underburned cements show a specific gravity much higher than that set by standard specifications. These considerations, together with the fact that the principal adulterants have a specific gravity very near that of Portland cement, make it difficult in the specific gravity test to obtain results from which accurate conclusions can be drawn. The test in any case is without value unless every precaution is taken to have accurate results, as otherwise only very large amounts of adulterated material could be discovered. When the specific gravity of a cement falls below 3.10, standard specifications[1] allow a second test to be made upon an ignited sample—the idea being that ignition will lower the specific gravity of adulterated cement. This second test, however, is usually of little value as the ignition loss of most adulterants is low and as the specific gravity of an ignited sample of cement is invariably higher than that of the original sample.

92*m*. Chemical Analysis.—If the tests of a cement for time of setting, strength, and soundness seem to indicate adulteration, resort may be had to chemical analysis. Such analysis is not usually made in routine commercial testing. Chemical analysis not only serves as a valuable means of detecting adulteration but shows the amounts of magnesia (MgO) and sulphuric anhydride (SO_3) contained in the cement. Specifications usually limit the amount of MgO to about 5 % and SO_3 to about 2 % because of fear that more of these materials may make the cement unsound.

93. Specifications for Cement.—Standard specifications are given in *Appendix B*.

94. Containers for Cement.—Cement may be obtained in cloth or paper bags, in bulk, and in barrels.

Cloth bags are the containers most generally used since manufacturers will refund the extra charge for the bags when returned in good condition. The consumer, however, must prepay the freight when returning the empty bags to the mill. The cloth bag will stand transportation, and its size and shape make it convenient to handle. If properly cared for, it may be used over and over again. Paper bags are more delicate and have no return value. Wooden barrels are advisable when the work is in a damp location, as in marine construction. Bulk cement requires special preparations for handling and storage.

95. Storing of Cement.—Cement either in containers or in bulk should be stored within a tight, weather-proof building, at least 8 in. away from the ground and an equal distance from any wall, so that free circulation of air may be obtained. In case the floor of a storage building is laid directly above the ground, it would be well to give the cement an additional 8-in. elevation by means of a false floor, so as to insure ventilation underneath. The cement should further be stored in such a manner as to permit easy access for proper inspection and identification or removal of each shipment. When cement is not mill-tested, a proper period before cement is needed should be allowed by the contractor for inspection and tests, this period being determined by the provisions of the specifications governing his contract.

[1] See *Appendix B*, p. 1408.

Where cement in bags is stored in high piles for long periods, there is often a slight tendency in the lower layers to harden, caused by the pressure above; this is known as *warehouse set.* Cement in this condition is in every way fit for service and can be reconditioned by letting each sack drop on a solid surface before using the cement contained.

96. Seasoning of Cement.—A moderate amount of *seasoning* in weather-tight sheds often improves the quality of the cement. Fresh cement contains small amounts of free or loosely combined lime which does not slake freely and causes expansion after the mass has set, endangering the structure in which it is used. During the time of seasoning such free lime is changed first to hydrate and then to carbonate of lime which does not swell on wetting. Usually cement is seasoned at the mills before shipping, but, with the best mills, the stock house may run so low in periods of rush that a chance will be taken on fresh material. Well-seasoned cement, therefore, may be lumpy, but the lumps are easily broken up. If, however, the cement has been subjected to excessive dampness, or has been wet, lumps will be formed which are hard and difficult to crush. A distinction should be made, so that the latter will not be used without sifting and rejection of hardened portions.

97. Use of Bulk Cement.—Within the past few years considerable cement has been shipped in bulk to cement-product factories and to construction jobs adjacent to railroad tracks. Economy has, in these instances, resulted from the saving in labor, and from the elimination of package losses and expense. There seems to be no difficulty in shipping bulk cement in tight box cars. Bulk cement should always be measured by weight, not volume.

98. Weight of Cement.—A barrel of Portland cement weighs 376 lb., not including the barrel, and a bag of Portland cement weighs 94 lb.; in other words, there are 4 bags to a barrel.

A barrel of natural cement varies in weight according to the locality in which it is manufactured. A barrel of Western cement usually weighs 265 lb. and a barrel of Eastern cement 300 lb. A bag of natural cement is usually one-third of a barrel.

A barrel of puzzolan cement is usually assumed to contain 330 lb. net, and there are 4 bags to the barrel. A cement barrel weighs about 20 lb. on an average.

CONCRETE AGGREGATES AND WATER

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99. Definitions.—"Aggregates" is a general classifying term applied to those inert (i.e., chemically inactive) materials, both fine and coarse, which, when bound together by cement, form the substance known as concrete. Fine aggregates are materials such as natural sand or rock screenings. Coarse, or large aggregates, or ballast are materials such as natural gravel, crushed rock, or by-product materials such as cinders or crushed blast-furnace slag.

100. General Requirements.—Aggregates, fine and coarse, compose approximately 90% or more of the substance of concrete. From this it follows that the properties of aggregates must correspond and be at least equal to the properties desired in the concrete.

The usual service requirements are that aggregates shall be dense, hard, durable, structurally strong and, for aggregates in concretes exposed to water action, insoluble. Further, since concrete is formed by bonding of aggregates with cement, they must permit by their physical characteristics (such as roughness) the adhesion of cement; and always all particles must be clean, so that a surface coat of one kind or another may not prevent physical contact with cement, or destroy its properties through chemical action.

101. Classification of Aggregates.—The usual classification of aggregates is into two divisions, based upon size.

Coarse aggregates are all particles of gravel, crushed stone, or other materials above ¼ in. diameter.

Fine aggregates are all particles below ¼ in. in size. Particles of such size are further divided by defining "sand" as all mineral particles from 2 mm. to 0.5 mm. in diameter; "silt," all particles from 0.5 mm. to 0.005 mm. in diameter; "clay," all particles having a diameter less than 0.005 mm; and "loam" as a mixture of any of the above finer varieties with organic

matter—i.e., of vegetable or animal origin. It is particularly such organic matter rather than size of particle which renders loam unfit for concrete work, as through some chemical action not yet fully understood, possibly through formation of an organic acid, it injures or inhibits the proper action of cement.

102. Qualities of Fine Aggregates—General.—When it is remembered that the finer natural materials are derived from rocks by disintegration and by "weathering," or breaking down through frost action, water and wind erosion, or kindred agencies, the differences in quality so often found in sand deposits, with possibly the presence of foreign materials, are not surprising. Further, sands necessarily partake of the qualities of the rock from which they are derived. Silicious quartz sands are best for concrete work, but crushed sands from any durable rock will answer, if natural sand of proper quality cannot be obtained.

103. Qualities of Coarse Aggregates—General.—For coarse aggregates, any crushed rock of durable character, or any clean, hard, natural gravel not subject to ready disintegration may properly be used. In general, the better the stone or gravel, the better the resulting concrete. For this reason, granite, trap, or hard limestone are preferred for large aggregates, but any rock will serve which is sound, which has adequate strength and does not contain objectionable mineral inclusions liable to decompose, such as iron pyrites, FeS_2, which may form sulphuric acid by oxidation.

Since the properties of any concrete are so closely related to the properties of its components, it is essential to an understanding of the value of any stone as an aggregate that something be known of the origin, nature, and properties of the varieties in common use.

104. Materials Suitable for Coarse Aggregates.—Roughly, rocks suitable for use as aggregate fall into three groups. These are: (1) Granite and other igneous rocks; (2) sandstones and other sedimentary rocks; (3) limestones and related rocks. A fourth division comprises slates and shales, but as these weather rapidly with formation of clay, they are unsuited for use in concrete.

The physical character of a rock depends upon two things—its mineral constituents and its structure. If the mineral constituents are themselves durable, but massed together in a manner structurally weak, rapid weathering, with formation of sand through liberation of mineral grains, is to be expected. Such a rock would make a poor concrete. On the other hand, a dense structure with like mineral constituents would make an excellent aggregate. A dense structure and weak mineral constituents are sometimes associated, but Nature has generally cared for such rocks by bringing about their decomposition, so that they exist only as sand.

105. Igneous Rocks.—Igneous rock is a general term descriptive of all rocks formed from molten matter which has consolidated either into mineral, or glass, or both. Among such rocks are granite and trap rock.

105*a*. Granite.—Granite is well known by its characteristic appearance. In structure, it is a blend of quartz (crystallized silica dioxide), orthoclase, and mica, though this latter may be replaced by hornblende. It is exceedingly dense, hard and durable, consisting entirely of minerals with no glass or uncrystallized material between its constituent grains.

Granites possess the strength and durability desirable in an aggregate, but they are of low toughness. In addition, if used in concretes exposed to more than ordinary heat, as in chimneys, there is a decided tendency to disintegrate, due to unequal mineral grain expansions. Granites are not often used as aggregate, their ornamental value precluding less profitable use.

105*b*. Trap Rock or Diabase.—Trap rock and fine-grained basic and volcanic rocks are generally hard, of high abrasive value adhering well to cement. These rocks have a closely interlaced mineral structure and generally good resistance to stress. Care should be taken not to choose a trap rock having a considerable percentage of iron present in low oxide form, as this may absorb oxygen, forming a higher oxide, with expansion and probably rupture.

In general, trap rock (and rock of similar character, in which class are included many of the "green-stones") makes a very excellent aggregate although in some respects its excellence has been exaggerated. It has, however, a very high compressive strength and, as this quality is very desirable in concretes, its use has become widespread. It is not always procurable without excessive cost but, where price is not prohibitive, its use is advantageous.

106. Sedimentary Rocks.—To the sedimentary series of rocks belong all those solidified deposits which have accumulated at the bottom of bodies of water. Originally, these mate-

rials were derived from the land surface and transported to the sea or lakes, either by mechanical carriage, or by solution in water. Many of the minerals contained in sedimentary rocks were derived directly from the decay of igneous or volcanic rocks, although additional chemical changes supplementing this more-or-less complete decomposition of the original minerals may have resulted in the formation of new minerals found in the sedimentary series. With passage of time and the action of various chemical and mechanical agencies, these sedimentary deposits solidified into the stratified rocks of one kind or another found throughout the entire surface of the earth.

106*a*. Sandstone.—One of the most important of the sidementary rocks is sandstone. In structure, it is natural concrete, composed of finely divided mineral particles, cemented together in more-or-less close relation by iron or alumina or by calcium compounds. The character of any sandstone depends, therefore, on the mineral character of its component grains; on the size and shape of these grains; on their arrangement within the rock; and on the nature of the material cementing them together.

Quartz particles form by far the greatest percentage and the most desirable constituent of sandstone. Feldspar is also frequently present, and occasionally, hornblende, chlorite, garnet, magnetite, and calcite. In the best sandstones, the grains are arranged uniformly through the mass, although frequently coarser and finer particles are arranged in layers, giving a stratified appearance to the stone.

So far as its use in concrete is concerned, the most important feature of a sandstone is the nature of the cementing material combining its constituent grains. *Argillaceous sandstones* in which the cementing material is lime (usually lime carbonate) may be crushed with comparative ease, but they disintegrate rapidly on exposure to weathering agents, such as water or air. Such stone may be readily identified by its effervescence when treated with a drop of hydrochloric acid. *Sandstones cemented by oxide of iron* are generally red in color, the shade being a rough indication of the amount of iron present. Many of these sandstones disintegrate very rapidly on exposure to the weather, forming the so-called "rotten stones" so often found in gravel.

Sandstones cemented solely by clay should never be used in concrete, as the simple penetration of moisture is sufficient to disintegrate them, rendering them practically valueless as aggregate. A good accelerated test is to boil ¼-in. fragments of the stone in water. Rapid disintegration indicates a weak stone, with a tendency to weather rapidly, and unsuited for use as aggregate.

106*b*. Limestone.—Limestone is carbonate of lime deposited on the floors of bodies of water and subsequently hardened into rock. This precipitation of lime may have been effected from the water, or through the agency of animal or vegetable life. This is to say, some limestones are chemical precipitates, while others are formed from the shells and other hard parts of animals, as well as from hardened tissues of certain plants. Such plant and animal forms fossilized are often seen in limestone fragments.

Compact limestone varies in texture from coarse to exceedingly fine. It is only occasionally pure carbonate of lime, usually containing greater or less percentages of magnesia. Either magnesia, limestone, or pure calcic limestone is very well suited for use as a concrete aggregate. Any considerable percentage of clay in limestone, however, is very undesirable, as it softens the rock and renders it very liable to disintegration. Limestone is found in many colors. White, gray, yellow, blue, and green are those of most frequent occurrence.

In general, limestone makes a very good coarse aggregate for concrete. When crushed to the finer sizes, it has a flaky fracture which renders it somewhat unsuitable for use as sand unless it is rerolled. Natural limestone sands are of infrequent occurrence, as limestone is soluble to as high a percentage as 90 %, so that the usual weathering processes result in solution, rather than fragmentary disintegration.

107. Metamorphic Rocks.—Rocks of either igneous or sedimentary origin have often been subjected to such severe treatment in the long course of geologic history, that their ordinary character is much altered. Crushing of the earth's crust, the weight of overlying material, and contact with hot molten rock from the interior are among the causes contributing to the change. Such rocks are classed as "metamorphic."

There are many metamorphic rocks, the whole group constituting a very high percentage of the surface of the earth's crust. Some of them are of value as aggregates in concrete; while others, notably the slates and shales, have a weak stratified structure and weather so rapidly that their value in concrete is almost nothing.

108. Gravel.—Gravel of good quality makes excellent concrete (see *Tech. Paper* 58, Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C.). Gravel is nothing more nor less than natural rock, broken away from parent ledges and worn round by the rolling of streams. Its natural properties, therefore, are identical with the rock of which it once formed a part. Provided it has

not decayed through being in relatively small masses, the properties natural to this parent rock are to be expected of a gravel. The surface of gravel is usually very rough; and from considerations of character of surface presented for adhesion of cement, it should produce as good as, and even better, concrete than crushed stone. Certainly, there is no reason against its use, provided it is clean and of good mineral quality.

109. Blast-furnace Slag.—Slag from blast furnaces, crushed to proper size, has much to recommend it for mass construction. Slag is a fairly hard though very porous material, of fairly high compressive strength; and in certain localities is relatively cheap as compared to stone of good qualities. Offering a rough, pitted surface for the adhesion of cement, it produces a very strong concrete when of proper quality.

110. Cinders.—Furnace cinders as an aggregate are used only in inferior grades of mass concrete, or for fireproofing. Cinders have low structural strength, high porosity, and oftentimes as an added objection, high sulphur content. In more than one instance, sulphuric acid resulting from sulphur decomposition in cinder concrete floors has eaten away conduits and piping, and has even attacked reinforcing and structural steel. Cinder concrete is of value chiefly because of its cheapness and low specific gravity, but discrimination is required in its use.

111. Materials Suitable for Fine Aggregates.—All fine aggregates are essentially rock fragments, crushed to varying degrees of fineness, either by the natural processes of weathering, disintegration, or glacial action, or by man with his machines. Sand deposits are masses of weathered rock minerals, transported, collected, and sorted by the age-long action of streams.

From the earliest ages the formation of sand, silt, and clay has been going on through the breaking down of rocks. The changes involved in these processes are part physical and part chemical. All changes produced at or near the surface by atmospheric agents, which result in more or less complete disintegration and decomposition, are classed under the general term of "weathering." The action of physical agents alone, which results in the rock breaking down into smaller particles without destroying its identity, is termed "disintegration." On the other hand, the action of chemical agents destroys the identity of many of the minerals by the formation of new compounds, and this latter process is known as "decomposition." Silt and clay generally result from decomposition; and, as such chemical change has altered the character of the material (usually to its detriment so far as concrete purposes are concerned), that is one reason, but not the only reason, against permitting their presence in concrete sand.

Because of its hardness and resistance to chemical agents, quartz or silica is, therefore, the commonest mineral in sand. Other minerals such as feldspar, mica, etc., though originally present, because of their lesser resistance, have been more readily decomposed by the action of the elements; and by reason of their complete disintegration with resultant fine state of subdivision, have been removed by wind and water. Quartz crystals, therefore, remain as the most evident survivors of the parent rock and their survival is evidence of their desirable qualities for concrete.

111*a*. Crushed Stone and Screenings.—Crushed stone screenings, when free from clay, usually make excellent sand. These screenings ordinarily give a stronger mortar than natural sand but are likely to contain an undue amount of dust, especially when obtained from soft stone, and should be screened and washed to get rid of the finest particles before being used in mortar or concrete.

Crushed limestone makes a concrete of excellent early strength, provided the crushings are rerolled, as limestone breaks with a flat, scaly fracture, giving particles that are structurally weak and that are very hard to compact in the manner necessary to give an impervious concrete. For work exposed to water this point is of great importance.

111*b*. Sea Sand.—Sea sand is usually well suited for use as fine aggregate for concrete, so far as structure, mineral composition, and cleanness are concerned. It is, however, usually of such fineness that its use is inadvisable if undiluted by coarser particles. Saline deposits on the grains, when derived from pure sea water, should not be of a nature detrimental to concrete. It is unwise to take such sands close to tide limits, as the newer sands close to water, teem with minute organic life.

112. Requirements of Fine Aggregate as to Shape and Size of Particles.—It is exceedingly difficult in choosing a fine aggregate for concrete work to balance all considerations. Time is a factor of utmost importance in all construction operations. Therefore, where delays would be entailed by the selection of one sand, the qualities of which are superior to those of another sand that is more readily obtained, it is more than probable that considerations of superior quality will have little weight. It is unfortunately true that regardless of all that has become known in regard to the importance of sands, their quality will be generally disregarded in favor of cheapness or convenience until engineers and owners demand and insist upon concretes of proper quality and refuse payment for those not coming up to the desired standard.

Usual specifications for concrete sands permit of little discrimination on the part of the supervising engineer, however conscientious he may be. Provision that the sand shall be "clean, sharp, and coarse" means nothing, as no standards are defined as comparisons and the determination is left solely to the judgment of individuals oftentimes quite incompetent and unskilled.

Sharpness as a quality requirement for sand is archaic. It has little or no definite meaning; and rarely are two individuals agreed as to how sharpness should be determined. If it were but remembered that all natural sands are water-borne and water-worn, with inevitable rounding of grains, the fallacy of "sharpness," whatever its interpretation, as a standard of quality in natural sands, would be evident.

Cleanness in sands is most important, for reasons before given. Not all dirt or coatings on sand are detectable, short of laboratory procedures; and unfortunately, much sand is judged as to cleanliness by rubbing in a hand that itself is usually none too clean, the fitness of the sand being judged by the deposit it leaves behind. Judging a sand in this way without supplemental tests betokens ignorance, or carelessness, or both. Cleanness is a desirable quality, but it should be judged by adequate tests, not by such haphazard methods as the foregoing.

Coarseness in sands, as opposed to excessive fineness, is a desirable quality, but coarseness alone, especially if judged without standards, is no criterion of fitness for use in concrete. Coarse sands have less surface area than have fine sands for a given unit volume, thus requiring less cement and being more readily coated. Such a requirement, if properly judged, is therefore advantageous.

113. Organic Contamination of Sand.—Colloidal or other organic coatings on sand are not difficult of detection before use. A good test method for this purpose, now known as the Abrams-Harder Test, has been developed at Lewis Institute under the auspices of the Association of American Portland Cement Manufacturers. Briefly, it is carried out by digesting a sample of sand in a 2 % solution of caustic soda. The resulting color of the fluid is an approximate indication of the quantity presence of organic matter in any sand. Color plates and directions for this test may be obtained on application to the Portland Cement Association at its several offices.

114. Test for Quality of Sands.—Safe and advantageous procedure in choosing sand for concrete is:

1. Determine its cleanness by shaking a sample with water in a bottle; and also by the color test for organic impurities.

2. Determine its average granulometric analysis, giving preference to coarse rather than to fine sand.

3. For the sand and stone chosen, approximate proportions for the mix such as will give a dense mixture. (This is not always permitted under the specifications governing the work.)

4. Check these proportions (or the specific proportions), as well as the quality of materials, by strength or other tests on actual samples of concrete.

5, Check all shipments of sand with regard to cleanness, as in (1).

115. Requirements of Coarse Aggregate as to Shape and Size of Particles.—Since stone is one of the strongest, if not the strongest constituent of concrete, the greater the percentage of stone in any unit volume (*i.e.*, the nearer concrete actually approaches natural stone in strength and density) the stronger is the concrete. It follows, then, other things being equal, that the larger the quantity of stone, the stronger will be the concrete, since each piece of stone has greater mass density than would its components unless compacted and united by Nature's unapproachable processes.

There are, however, certain limitations as to size of stone imposed by certain classes of work. In reinforced work, the plastic concrete must fit itself closely around the reinforcing metal, so that 1 to 1½ in. is the greatest diameter of particle that experience demonstrates is advisable to use.

Concrete of this character obviously requires more cement than would concrete using larger stone, since the

stone surface to be coated is greater. In mass work, on the other hand, crushed stone of 2½ to 3 in. diameter may be advantageously employed, with less cement. For these reasons, if for no others, richer mixtures are specified in reinforced work and leaner mixtures in mass work. It should be borne in mind, however, that size of stone is not alone the determining factor in this regard, but that grading of stone and size and grading of sand is of even more importance as influencing the quantity of cement required, with a corresponding effect on the quality of concrete.

Plums are large stone, 5 in. or more in least diameter, thrown into plastic mass concrete, largely with the object of using them as cheap space-fillers. Their use is also to be commended for the reasons before given, provided that the plums themselves are of the proper quality of stone and that they are not of such size as to cut through the concrete section. A safe rule to follow in the use of plums is that they shall be of a maximum size such that not less than 6 in. of concrete shall intervene between them and the forms at any point. In using very large plums, this thickness of intervening concrete should be materially increased.

The shape of particle of large aggregates is of relatively little importance. Cleanliness, grading, and character of rock have far greater influence on the concrete than has angularity or roundness of particle.

116. Impurities in Aggregates.—In order that cement may adhere to sand grains and to particles of coarse aggregate, each grain or particle must bear no coating such as would prevent either proper chemical action between cement and water, or a proper bond between cement and aggregates.

Clay and silt are impurities of most frequent occurrence in sand and gravel. Each of these impurities cause injury to mortar or concrete not only when it exists as a coating on the sand or gravel particles, but is equally undesirable when it occurs in such amounts, or so unequally distributed, that its extremely fine grains "ball up" and stick together when wetted, so as to remain in lumps in the finished mortar or concrete. If, however, the particles of these impurities are distributed so that they do not bind together on the addition of water; and if they are not contaminated by organic matter, experiments have shown that with sand that is not too fine, no serious harm results in lean mortars and concretes from their presence to the extent of from 10 to 15%. In fact, either clay or silt are often found beneficial as they increase the density by filling some of the voids, thus increasing the strength and water-tightness besides making the mortar or concrete work smoothly. In rich mortars and concretes the density and consequently the strength is lowered by even slight additions of clay or silt as the cement furnishes all the fine material that is required.

A *coating of organic matter*, such as loam on sand grains, appears not only to physically prevent the cement from adhering but also to affect it chemically. In some cases a quantity of organic matter so small that it cannot be detected bythe eye and is only slightly disclosed by chemical tests has prevented the mortar or concrete from reaching any appreciable strength. Tannic acid, colloidal sewage, manure, sugar, tobacco juice are instances of organic contamination destructive to concrete. All organic contaminations are detectable by the Abrams-Harder Test before referred to.

Mica in sand or stone is objectionable because of its low mechanical strength and its laminated scaly structure. Even a small amount of this impurity in sand may seriously reduce the strength of a mortar or concrete. Mica is especially injurious in sands for concrete surface work as the scaly flakes cause the surface to dust and peel. Mica above 1% is objectionable. It is detectable visually, but there is no exact method in use to determine its percentage presence.

Mica schist is totally unfit for use as large aggregate, both because of the foregoing reasons and also because of its rapid decomposition on exposure to air. The presence and character of this is detectable by observation.

Iron pyrites or *fool's gold*—a bright, yellow substance with metallic luster—is chemically iron sulphide (Fe_2S). This is a very common impurity in stone; and its undesirability lies in its ready oxidation in the presence of water with formation of sulphuric acid (H_2SO_4), which latter readily attacks the cement of concrete with disasterous consequences.

Some sand deposits also contain unoxidized iron sulphide, though such deposits are an exception.

Finely powdered dust present in crushed stone screenings causes approximately the same effect upon the strength of mortar or concrete as does the presence of silt or clay in like quantities. It is essential for the best work that this dust be removed by screening and washing, in the same manner that silt is removed from sand and gravel, though it may later be used advantageously in known quantities by recombination.

117. Water.—The water used in mixing mortar or concrete should be free from oil, acids, alkalies, or vegetable matter, and should be of a quality fit for drinking purposes. The presence of oils is easily detected by the characteristic iridescent surface film. Vegetable matter can sometimes be detected by observing floating particles, or by turbidity. Chemical determinations such as the Abrams-Harder Test are better and more certain.

Tests of water for acidity or alkalinity may be made by means of litmus paper, procured at any chemist's. If blue litmus remains blue on immersing in the water, then the property is either neutral or alkaline; if the color changes to red, then the property is acidic. If there is a dangerous amount of acid present, the change in color will be very rapid. Likewise, if red litmus changes very quickly to blue, the water will be found to contain a dangerous amount of strong alkali. If the change of color is slow and faint in either test, the indication may be disregarded. A solution of phenol-phthalein is a delicate test for alkalinity.

Whenever a water does not appear satisfactory, its effect upon the strength and setting qualities of a cement should be determined by direct test on mixtures.

CONCRETE REINFORCEMENT

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118. Types of Reinforcement.—The reinforcing steel in reinforced-concrete construction is mostly in the form of rods, or bars, of round or square cross-section. These vary in size from ¼ to ⅜ in. for light floor slabs, up to 1¼ to 1½ in. as a maximum size for heavy beams and columns. Both plain and deformed bars are used. With plain bars the adhesion between steel and concrete is depended upon to furnish the necessary bond strength. With deformed bars the usual adhesion is supplemented by a mechanical bond, the amount of this bond in any given case depending upon the shape of the bar. The adhesion of concrete to flat bars is less than for round or square bars, but the flat deformed bar possesses advantages over other forms when used as hooping for tanks, pipes, and sewers where the reduced thickness of the bar allows the concrete section to have a greater effective depth for the same total thickness of concrete.

Wire fabric and expanded metal in various forms are used to a considerable extend in slabs, pipes, and conduits. These types of reinforcement are easy to place and are especially well adapted to resist temperature cracks and to prevent cracking of the concrete from impact or shock.

A number of combinations of forms are employed to a greater or less extent. These combinations are known as *systems*.

119. Surface of Reinforcement.—A rough surface on steel has a higher bond value for use in concrete than a smooth surface, consequently a thin film of rust on reinforcement should not cause its rejection. In fact in the case of cold-drawn wire which presents a very smooth surface, a slight coating of rust is a decided advantage. Loose or scaly rust, however, should never be allowed. Reinforcement in this state of corrosion may be used if first cleansed with a stiff wire brush or given a bath of hydrochloric acid solution (consisting of 3 parts acid to 1 part water), and then washed in clean running water. Oiling and painting of reinforcing steel should not be permitted as its bonding value is greatly reduced thereby.



Fig. 17.—Cold-twisted square bar.

120. Quality of Steel.—Authorities differ as to the quality of steel to be used for reinforcement. Mild steel is the ordinary structural steel occurring in all structural shapes. High steel or steel of hard grade has a greater percentage of carbon than mild steel and is also known as high-carbon or high elastic-limit steel.

Brittleness is to be feared in high steel, although this quality is not so dangerous when the metal is used in heavy reinforced-concrete members—for example, in heavy beams or slabs—as the concrete to a large extent absorbs the shocks and protects the steel. All high steel should be carefully inspected and tested in order to prevent any brittle or cracked material from getting into the finished work. Steel of high elastic limit is seldom employed where plain bars are used.

Cold twisting increases the elastic limit and ultimate strength of mild-steel bars. The increase, however, is not definite, varying greatly with slight variations in the grade of the rolled steel. A square twisted bar is shown in Fig. 17.

121. Working Stresses.—The generally accepted working stress for mild steel is 16,000 lb. per sq. in. and 18,000 to 20,000 lb. per sq. in. for high steel and cold-twisted steel. A stress not greater than 16,000 lb. per sq. in. is recommended by the Joint Committee for all grades of steel.

122. Coefficient of Expansion.—The coefficient of expansion of steel is approximately 0.0000065 degree Fahrenheit.

123. Modulus of Elasticity.—The modulus of elasticity of all grades and kinds of steel is about the same and is usually taken as 30,000,000 lb. per sq. in. in both tension and compression.

124. Steel Specifications.—Specifications of the Association of American Steel Manufacturers and of the American Society for Testing Materials, for concrete reinforcement bars rolled from billets, are given in Appendix *D*.

Reinforcing bars rolled from old rails are being used to a considerable extent in reinforced concrete work and seem to be giving satisfaction, especially for unimportant work such as footings, retaining walls, and possibly in

slabs where the failure of one rod could not wreck the structure. Specifications of the above named societies, for rail-steel concrete reinforcement bars, are also given in Appendix *D*.

125. Factors Affecting Cost of Reinforcing Bars.—In order to insure minimum cost and prompt delivery of steel reinforcing bars, the steel schedule for a reinforced-concrete structure should call for bars of as few different sizes and lengths as possible. Bars of odd 16th sizes are seldom to be found in stock (except the 5/16-in. size which is frequently used for slab reinforcement) and shipments from the mill on such sizes are likely to be very slow. Designers should always bear in mind this fact and arrange to use either round or square bars in 1/8-in. sizes. Wherever possible, steel lengths that do not vary greatly on the schedule should all be made equal since an order calling for only a few different lengths will be put through the mill much faster than one calling for many different lengths.

The following size extras for bars less than 3/4-in. are standard with all mills and are the same for either round or square bars:

SIZE EXTRAS FOR ROUNDS AND SQUARES IN CENTS PER 100 LB.

3/4-in. and larger	Base
5/8 to 1 1/16-in.	5 cts. extra
1/2 to 9/16-in.	10 cts. extra
7/16-in.	20 cts. extra
3/8-in.	25 cts. extra
5/16-in.	35 cts. extra
1/4-in.	50 cts. extra

It should be noticed that a higher size extra must be paid for an odd 16th size below 3/4-in. than for the next larger 1/8-in. size. This fact alone offsets any advantage in saving steel by always calling for the nearest theoretical size whether odd or even.

Where the character of the work requires small bars a saving in cost is obtained by using round bars owing to the difference in size extras between rounds and squares of equivalent area.

Lengths less than 5 ft. should be avoided, if possible, as they are subject to the following cutting extras, whether sheared or hot-sawed:

Lengths over 24 in. and less than 60 in.	5 cts. per 100 lb.
Lengths 12 in. to 24 in. inclusive	10 cts. per 100 lb.
Lengths under 12 in.	15 cts. per 100 lb.

All orders calling for less than 2000 lb. of the same size and shape are subject to the following extras:

Quantities less than 2000 lb. but not less than 1000 lb.	15 cts. per 100 lb.
Quantities less than 1000 lb.	35 cts. per 100 lb

126. Deformed Bars.—The following deformed bars are in common use:[1]

126*a*. Diamond Bar (Fig. 18).—Furnished by Concrete-Steel Engineering Co., New York City. The standard sizes are as follows:

DIAMOND BARS

Size in inches	1/4	3/8	7/16	1/2	5/8	3/4	7/8	1	1 1/8	1 1/4
Area in square inches	0.0625	0.1406	0.19	0.25	0.39	0.56	0.76	1.00	1.26	1.56
Weight per foot in pounds	0.213	0.478	0.65	0.85	1.33	1.91	2.60	3.40	4.30	5.31

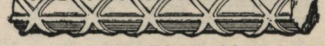


FIG. 18.—Diamond bar.

It should be noted that the weights and areas of Diamond bars are equal to those of plain square bars of like denominations.

[1] Announcement was made while this book was in press that deformed bar manufacturers will roll for stock the following sizes only: *round bars*—3/8, 1/2, 5/8, 3/4, 7/8, 1 in.; *square bars*—1/2, 1, 1 1/8, 1 1/4 in. All other sizes will be considered special (see p. 962).

126b. Corrugated Bars (Fig. 19).—Furnished by Corrugated Bar Co., Buffalo, N. Y. The standard sizes are as follows:

CORRUGATED ROUNDS

Size in inches	⅜	½	9/16	⅝	¾	⅞	1	1⅛	1¼
Net area in square inches	0.11	0.19	0.25	0.30	0.44	0.60	0.78	0.99	1.22
Weight per foot in pounds	0.38	0.66	0.86	1.05	1.52	2.06	2.69	3.41	4.21

CORRUGATED SQUARES

Size in inches	¼	⅜	½	⅝	¾	⅞	1	1⅛	1¼
Net area in square inches	0.06	0.14	0.25	0.39	0.56	0.76	1.00	1.26	1.55
Weight per foot in pounds	0.22	0.49	0.86	1.35	1.94	2.64	3.43	4.34	5.35

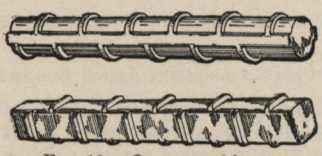


FIG. 19.—Corrugated bars.

126c. Havemeyer Bars (Fig. 20).—Furnished by Concrete Steel Co., New York City. The following table gives the weights and areas of the standard Havemeyer bars:

HAVEMEYER BARS

Size in inches	Squares		Rounds		Flats		
	Area in square inches	Weight per foot in pounds	Area in square inches	Weight per foot in pounds	Size in inches	Area in square inches	Weight per foot in pounds
¼	0.0625	0.212	0.0491	0.167	1 × ¼	0.2500	0.850
5/16	0.9770	0.332	.....	.....	1 × ⅜	0.3750	1.280
⅜	0.1406	0.478	0.1104	0.375	1¼ × ⅜	0.4690	1.590
½	0.2500	0.850	0.1963	0.667	1½ × 5/16	0.4688	1.590
⅝	0.3906	1.328	0.3068	1.043	1½ × ⅜	0.5625	1.913
¾	0.5625	1.913	0.4418	1.502	1½ × ½	0.7500	2.550
⅞	0.7656	2.603	0.6013	2.044	1¾ × ⅜	0.6563	2.230
1	1.0000	3.400	0.7854	2.670	1¾ × 5/16	0.7656	2.600
1⅛	1.2656	4.303	0.9940	3.379	1¾ × ½	0.8750	2.980
1¼	1.5625	5.312	1.2272	4.173			

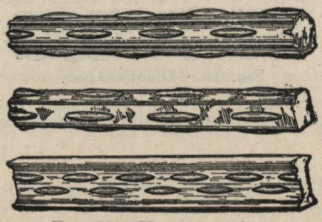


FIG. 20.—Havemeyer bars.

Special sizes of 1⅜-in. and 1½-in. square Havemeyer bars can be rolled by special arrangement, but are not carried in stock. A size extra of 10 cts. applies against 1 by ¼-in. and 1½ by 5/16-in. flats; all other sizes tabulated take the base price.

126*d*. Rib Bar (Fig. 21).—Furnished by Trussed Concrete Steel Co., of Youngstown Ohio, and Detroit, Mich. The following sizes are standard:

RIB BAR

Size in inches	Area in square inches	Weight per linear foot in pounds	Size in inches	Area in square inches	Weight per linear foot in pounds
⅜	0.1406	0.48	⅞	0.7656	2.65
½	0.2500	0.86	1	1.0000	3.46
⅝	0.3906	1.35	1⅛	1.2656	4.38
¾	0.5625	1.95			



FIG. 21.—Rib bar.

126*e*. Inland Bar (Fig. 22).—Furnished by Inland Steel Co , Chicago.

Sizes ⅜ in. to ⅝ in. inclusive with single row of stars on each side.

Sizes ¾ in. to 1¼ in. inclusive with double row of stars on each side.

Lengths may be obtained up to 85 ft. Supplied in both open-hearth steel and rail carbon steel.

Standard sizes are as follows:

INLAND BAR

Size in inches	⅜	½	⅝	¾	⅞	1	1⅛	1¼
Area in square inches.....	0.140	0.250	0.390	0.562	0.765	1.000	1.265	1.562
Weight per foot in pounds.....	0.485	0.862	1.341	1.932	2.630	3.434	4.349	5.365

Rail carbon steel bars not rolled larger than 1 in.

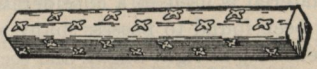


FIG. 22.—Inland bar.

126*f*. American Bars (Fig. 23).—Furnished by American System of Reinforcing Chicago. The following sizes are standard:

AMERICAN BARS

Size in inches	Squares		Rounds	
	Net area in square inches	Weight per foot in pounds	Net area in square inches	Weight per foot in pounds
⅜	0.141	0.48	0.110	0.38
½	0.250	0.85	0.196	0.68
⅝	0.391	1.33	0.307	1.05
¾	0.563	1.92	0.442	1.51
⅞	0.766	2.61	0.602	2.05
1	1.000	3.40	0.786	2.68
1⅛	1.270	4.31	0.994	3.38
1¼	1.560	5.32	1.230	4.19

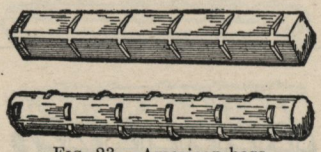


FIG. 23.—American bars.

Many of the sizes of reinforcing bars which were formerly standard and which were carried in stock by the various bar companies and steel merchants are almost identical in area. The labor and cost of rolling and carrying these in stock was found to far outweigh any possible advantage from a designer's standpoint. For this reason the leading companies dealing in steel reinforcing bars decided in the early part of 1920 to limit the commercial sizes which they would regularly carry in their warehouses to the ten following:

Area (sq. in.)	Equivalent to	Area (sq. in.)	Equivalent to
0.110	⅜″ round	0.601	⅞″ round
0.196	½″ round	0.785	1″ round
0.250	½″ square	1.000	1″ square
0.307	⅝″ round	1.266	1⅛″ square
0.442	¾″ round	1.563	1¼″ square

127. Wire Fabric.—This material is used to a considerable extent for floors, roofs, walls, vaults, pavement, etc., and has been found to possess many valuable qualities. Wire fabric is made of steel wires crossing generally at right angles and secured at the intersections. The heavier wires run lengthwise and are called carrying wires; the lighter ones cross these and are called distributing or tie wires. One distinct advantage in the use of fabric is that it preserves uniform spacing of the steel.

The steel wire gage adopted as standard for all steel wire upon recommendation of the United States Bureau of Standards is given in the following table:

STEEL WIRE GAGE

Diameter, inches	Steel wire gage[1]	Diameter, inches	Area, square inches	Pounds per foot	Pounds per mile	Feet per pound
1/2	...	0.5000	0.19635	0.6668	3,521.0	1.500
....	7/0	0.4900	0.18857	0.6404	3,381.0	1.562
15/32	...	0.46875	0.17257	0.5861	3,094.0	1.706
...	6/0	0.4615	0.16728	0.5681	2,999.0	1.760
7/16	...	0.4375	0.15033	0.5105	2,696.0	1.959
....	5/0	0.4305	0.14556	0.4943	2,610.0	2.023
13/32	...	0.40625	0.12962	0.4402	2,324.0	2.272
....	4/0	0.3938	0.12180	0.4136	2,184.0	2.418
3/8	...	0.3750	0.11045	0.3751	1,980.0	2.666
....	3/0	0.3625	0.10321	0.3505	1,851.0	2.853
11/32	...	0.34375	0.092806	0.3152	1,664.0	3.173
....	2/0	0.3310	0.086049	0.2922	1,543.0	3.442
5/16	..	0.3125	0.076699	0.2605	1,375.0	3.839
...	0	0.3065	0.073782	0.2506	1,323.0	3.991
....	1	0.2830	0.062902	0.2136	1,128.0	4.681
9/32	..	0.28125	0.062126	0.2110	1,114.0	4.74
...	2	0.2625	0.054119	0.1838	970.4	5.441
1/4	..	0.2500	0.049087	0.1667	880.2	5.999
...	3	0.2437	0.046645	0.1584	836.4	6.313
...	4	0.2253	0.039867	0.1354	714.8	7.386
7/32	..	0.21875	0.037583	0.1276	673.9	7.835
...	5	0.2070	0.033654	0.1143	603.4	8.750
...	6	0.1920	0.028953	0.09832	519.2	10.17
3/16	..	0.1875	0.027612	0.09377	495.1	10.66
...	7	0.1770	0.024606	0.08356	441.2	11.97
...	8	0.1620	0.020612	0.07000	369.6	14.29
5/32	..	0.15625	0.019175	0.06512	343.8	15.36
...	9	0.1483	0.017273	0.05866	309.7	17.05
1/8	10	0.1350	0.014314	0.04861	256.7	20.57
...	..	0.125	0.012272	0.04168	220.0	24.00
...	11	0.1205	0.011404	0.03873	204.5	25.82
...	12	0.1055	0.0087417	0.02969	156.7	33.69
3/32	..	0.09375	0.0069029	0.02344	123.8	42.66
	13	0.0915	0.0065755	0.02233	117.9	44.78
	14	0.0800	0.0050266	0.01707	90.13	58.58
	15	0.0720	0.0040715	0.01383	73.01	72.32
	16	0.0625	0.0030680	0.01042	55.01	95.98
	17	0.0540	0.0022902	0.007778	41.07	128.60

[1] Formerly called the "American Steel & Wire Co.'s Gage."

The manner of securing the intersections of wire fabric has given rise to a number of different types, several of the principal ones of which are given below.

127a. Welded Wire Fabric.—Welded wire fabric, Fig. 24, manufactured by the Clinton Wire Cloth Co., is a galvanized wire mesh made up of a series of parallel longitudinal wires, spaced a certain distance apart and held at intervals by means of transverse wires, arranged at right angles to the longitudinal ones, and welded to them at the points of intersection by a patented electrical process. Longitutdnal wires can be spaced on centers of

2 or more in., in steps of ½ in. Transverse wires can be spaced on centers of 1 to 18 in. inclusive, in steps of 1 in. and on centers of 10 to 18 in. inclusive, in steps of 2 in. The following table shows the sizes and areas of the wire used. Rolls kept in stock vary in length between 150 and 200 ft. and between 56 and 100 in. in width. The wire will develop an average ultimate strength of 70,000 to 80,000 lb. per sq. in.

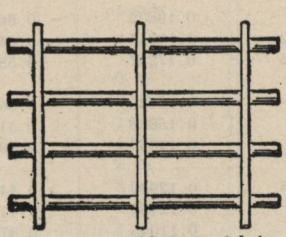


FIG. 24.—Welded wire fabric.

WELDED WIRE FABRIC

Gage of longitudinal wires	Diameter of longitudinal wires (inches)	Area of one longitudinal wire (square inches)	Gage of transverse wires	Spacing of transverse wires (inches)	Area per foot of width in longitudinal wires only				
					Spacing of longitudinal wires				
					2 in.	3 in.	4 in.	5 in.	6 in.
0000	0.394	0.122	3	16	0.735	0.490	0.367	0.294	0.245
000	0.363	0.103	4	16	0.619	0.413	0.310	0.248	0.206
00	0.331	0.086	4	16	0.516	0.344	0.258	0.207	0.172
0	0.307	0.074	6	16	0.443	0.295	0.221	0.177	0.148
1	0.283	0.063	6	16	0.377	0.252	0.189	0.151	0.126
2	0.263	0.054	8	16	0.325	0.217	0.162	0.130	0.108
3	0.244	0.047	8	16	0.280	0.187	0.140	0.112	0.093
4	0.225	0.040	9	16	0.239	0.160	0.120	0.096	0.080
5	0.207	0.034	9	16	0.202	0.135	0.101	0.081	0.067
6	0.192	0.029	10	16	0.174	0.116	0.087	0.069	0.058
7	0.177	0.025	10	16	0.148	0.098	0.074	0.059	0.049
8	0.162	0.021	10	12	0.124	0.082	0.062	0.049	0.041
9	0.148	0.017	11	12	0.104	0.069	0.052	0.041	0.035
10	0.135	0.014	12	12	0.086	0.057	0.043	0.034	0.029

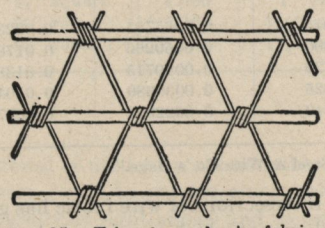


FIG. 25.—Triangle-mesh wire fabric.

127b. Triangle-mesh Wire Fabric.—Triangle-mesh steel-wire fabric, manufactured by the American Steel & Wire Co., is made with both single and stranded longitudinal or tension members. That with the single wire longitudinal is made with one wire varying in size from a No. 12 gage up to and including a ½-in. diameter, and that with the stranded longi-

tudinal is composed of two or three wires varying from No. 12 gage up to and including No. 4 wires stranded or twisted together with a long lay. These longitudinals either solid or stranded are invariably spaced 4-in. centers, the sizes being varied in order to obtain the desired cross-sectional area of steel per foot of width (See Fig. 25).

The transverse or diagonal cross wires are so woven between the longitudinals that triangles are formed by their arrangement. These diagonal cross wires are woven either 2 or 4 in. apart, as is desired. Triangle-mesh wire reinforcement is made in lengths of 150,200, and 300 ft. and in widths from 18 to 58 in. (4-in. steps). The table following shows the number and gage of wires and the areas per foot width when the longitudinals and cross wires are spaced 4 in. on centers.

TRIANGLE-MESH WIRE FABRIC

Style number	Number of wires, each long.	Gage of wire, each long.	Gage of cross wires	Sectional area, long. sq. in.	Sectional area, cross wires, sq. in.	Cross-sectional area per foot width	Approximate weight per 100 sq. ft.
4*	1	6	14	0.087	0.025	0.102	42
5*	1	8	14	0.062	0.025	0.077	34
6*	1	10	14	0.043	0.025	0.058	27
7*	1	12	14	0.026	0.025	0.041	21
23*	1	¼	12½	0.147	0.038	0.170	72
24	1	4	12½	0.119	0.038	0.142	62
25	1	5	12½	0.101	0.038	0.124	55
26	1	6	12½	0.087	0.038	0.110	50
27*	1	8	12½	0.062	0.038	0.085	41
28*	1	10	12½	0.043	0.038	0.066	34
29*	1	12	12½	0.026	0.038	0.049	28
31*	2	4	12½	0.238	0.038	0.261	106
32*	2	5	12½	0.202	0.038	0.225	92
33	2	6	12½	0.174	0.038	0.196	82
34	2	8	12½	0.124	0.038	0.146	63
35	2	10	12½	0.086	0.038	0.109	50
36	2	12	12½	0.052	0.038	0.075	37
38*	3	4	12½	0.358	0.038	0.380	151
39	3	5	12½	0.303	0.038	0.325	130
40*	3	6	12½	0.260	0.038	0.283	114
41	3	8	12½	0.185	0.038	0.208	87
42*	3	10	12½	0.129	0.038	0.151	66
43	3	12	12½	0.078	0.038	0.101	47

Elastic limit of regular stock is from 50,000 to 60,000 lb. per sq. in. Ultimate strength is 85,000 lb. per sq. in. or over. Higher elastic limits and breaking strengths are furnished when required. Material may be obtained either plain or galvanized. Unless otherwise specified, shipments are made of material not galvanized.

127c. Unit Wire Fabric.—A rectangular-mesh staple-locked fabric (Fig. 26) is furnished by the American System of Reinforcing. The wire used is of high tensile steel and is secured at the intersections by No. 14 wire. Standard sizes are shown in the following table. The fabric is galvanized and comes in standard widths of 3, 4, and 5 ft., 200 lin. ft. in a roll.

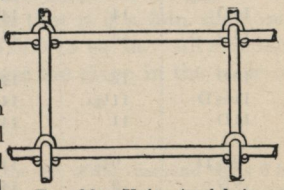


FIG. 26.—Unit wire fabric.

* Styles usually carried in stock.

UNIT WIRE FABRIC

Gage of longitudinal wires	Gage of cross wires	Distance center to center in inches		Sectional area in sq. in., foot width
		Longitudinal wires	Cross wires	
11	11	6	6	0.023
10	10	6	6	0.028
9	11	6	6	0.035
9	11	4	12	0.05
9	11	3	12	0.07
8	11	4	12	0.062
7	11	4	12	0.074
6	11	4	12	0.087
5	11	4	12	0.10
4	11	4	12	0.12
3	11	4	12	0.14

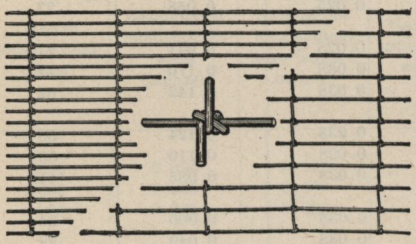


FIG. 27.—Lock-woven steel fabric.

127*d*. Lock-woven Steel Fabric.—Lock-woven steel fabric (Fig. 27) is also known as Page Special Process fabric. It is manufactured by the Page Woven Wire Fence Co., of Monessen, Pa. and is controlled by W. W. Wight & Co. of New York City. This fabric is usually made 54 in. wide with special widths from 18 to 54 in. The longitudinal wires are made by a special process which gives them an ultimate tensile strength of 180,000 lb. per sq. in. with an elastic

LOCK-WOVEN STEEL FABRIC

Style	Gage		Spacing in inches		Sectional area in sq. in. per foot width	Ultimate strength in pounds per foot width	Weight per 100 sq. ft.
	Long.	Trans.	Long.	Trans.			
14P	14	14	3	12	0.0201	3,621	11.04
13P	13	14	3	12	0.0265	4,790	12.91
12P	12	14	3	12	0.0350	6,300	15.85
11P	11	14	3	12	0.0452	8,140	17.47
9P	9	14	3	12	0.0680	12,390	28.62
8P	8	14	3	12	0.0824	14,280	34.82
7P	7	14	3	12	0.0984	17,720	39.48
14D	14	14	1½	12	0.0402	7,242	22.08
13D	13	14	1½	12	0.0532	9,580	25.82
12D	12	14	1½	12	0.0700	12,600	31.70
11½D	11½	14	1½	12	0.0795	14,313	33.25
11D	11	14	1½	12	0.0904	16,290	34.94
9½D	9½	14	1½	12	0.12498	22,450	53.43
9D	9	14	1½	12	0.1376	24,780	57.20
8D	8	14	1½	12	0.1648	29,640	69.64
7D	7	14	1½	12	0.1968	35,440	78.96

limit of about 70% of the ultimate. The material is galvanized and is furnished in rolls of 150, 300, 450 and 600 ft. in length. The table on p. 966 gives the characteristics of the different styles.

127e. Wisco Reinforcing Mesh.—Wisco mesh is manufactured by the Witherow Steel Co., Pittsburgh, Pa. It is made from the best grade of open-hearth steel and has a high tensile strength. All longitudinals are spaced 3 in. c. to c. and cross wires 12 in. c. to c. Standard rolls are 150 and 300 ft. in length. Width of rolls are furnished in any multiple of 3 in. from 18 to 45 in. Properties of the Wisco mesh are given in the following table:

WISCO MESH

Style	Sectional area per foot width	Weight per square foot	Style	Sectional area per foot width	Weight per square foot	Style	Sectional area per foot width	Weight per square foot
14	0.020	0.110	9½	0.062	0.277	6	0.116	0.465
12	0.035	0.158	9	0.069	0.286	29	0.138	0.556
11	0.046	0.175	8	0.083	0.341	27	0.197	0.775
10	0.058	0 223	7	0 098	0.395	26	0.230	1.036

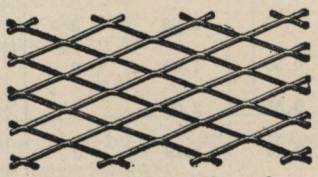


FIG. 28.—Expanded metal.

128. Expanded Metal.—Expanded metal (Fig. 28) is one of the oldest forms of sheet reinforcement. It is formed by slitting a sheet of soft steel and then expanding the metal in a direction normal to the axis of the sheet. The principal advantages claimed for this type of reinforcement are the following: (1) An increased ultimate strength and high elastic limit for low-carbon steel when the diamond-shaped meshes are formed by cold drawing the metal; (2) a mechanical bond with the surrounding concrete; (3) great efficiency in the carrying of concentrated loads due to the obliquity of the strands; (4) an increased ductility because of the fact that the diamonds or quadrilaterals tend to close under severe loading; (5) a greater slab strength as the effect of closing up of the diamonds is to introduce a compression into the concrete at the lower part of the slab. Expanded metal and other sheet metal is made according to the U.S. Standard gage which differs but slightly from the Steel Wire gage given on page 963.

128a. Steelcrete.—Manufactured by the Consolidated Expanded Metal Co., Rankin, Pa. The designation of the material gives the width of the diamond, the gage of the plate and the cross-section per foot of width. Size 3-9-15 means that it is a 3-in. diamond, made out of No. 9 plate, having a sectional area per foot of width of 0.15 sq. in. All standard meshes have a diamond 3 by 8 in. The standard sizes and gages are given in the table on p. 968:

The Consolidated Expanded Metal Co. also makes to order a 6-in. mesh, the size of the diamond being 6 by 16 in. The gage of plate used is No. 4, or nearly ¼ in. thick. Any cross-sectional area desired up to and including 0.4 sq. in. can be obtained. The width of the sheets depend on the sectional area. This company also makes a 4-in. mesh from No. 16 plate which is unexpanded. Any length can be obtained up to 16 ft. The cross-sectional area per foot of width is 0.093 sq. in. Special meshes can be obtained having diamonds of ¾ in., 1½ in., and 2 in.

"STEELCRETE" EXPANDED METAL

Designation of mesh	Size of mesh: Width of diamond in inches	Size of mesh: Length of diamond in inches	Size of mesh: Section in sq. in. per ft. of width	Wt. per sq. ft. in pounds	No. of sheets in a bundle	Size of standard sheets	No. of sq. ft. in a bundle	Wt. per bundle in lb.
3–13–075	3	8	0.075	0.27	10	6′0″ × 8′0″	480	129.6
						6′0″ × 12′0″	720	194.4
3–13–10	3	8	0.10	0.37	7	6′9″ × 8′0″	378	139.9
						6′9″ × 12′0″	567	209.8
3–13–125	3	8	0.125	0.46	7	5′3″ × 8′0″	294	135.2
						5′3″ × 12′0″	441	202.9
3–9–15	3	8	0.15	0.55	5	7′0″ × 8′0″	280	154.0
						7′0″ × 12′0″	420	231.0
3–9–20	3	8	0.20	0.73	5	5′3″ × 8′0″	210	153.3
						5′3″ × 12′0″	315	230.0
3–9–25	3	8	0.25	0.92	5	4′0″ × 8′0″	160	147.2
						4′0″ × 12′0″	240	220.8
3–9–30	3	8	0.30	1.10	2	7′0″ × 8′0″	112	123.2
						7′0″ × 12′0″	168	184.8
3–9–35	3	8	0.35	1.28	2	6′0″ × 8′0″	96	122.9
						6′0″ × 12′0″	144	184.3
3–6–40	3	8	0.40	1.46	2	7′0″ × 8′0″	112	163.5
						7′0″ × 12′0″	168	245.3
3–6–45	3	8	0.45	1.65	2	6′3″ × 8′0″	100	165.0
						6′3″ × 12′0″	150	247.5
3–6–50	3	8	0.50	1.83	2	5′9″ × 8′0″	92	168.4
						5′9″ × 12′0″	138	252.5
3–6–55	3	8	0.55	2.01	2	5′3″ × 8′0″	84	168.8
						5′3″ × 12′0″	126	253.3
3–6–60	3	8	0.60	2.19	2	4′9″ × 8′0″	76	166.4
						4′9″ × 12′0″	114	249.7

128*b*. Kahn Mesh.—Manufactured by the Trussed Concrete Steel Co., of Youngstown, Ohio, and Detroit, Mich. The standard sizes and gages are the same as for "Steelcrete." The Kahn Mesh may also be obtained with larger diamonds for reinforcing concrete pavements. The sizes of the Kahn Road Mesh follow:

KAHN ROAD MESH.

Size No.	Decimal designation	Size of mesh: Width of diamond in inches	Size of mesh: Length of diamond in inches	Sectional area in square inches
15	6–13–042	6	12	0.042
20	6–13–053	6	12	0.053
22	6–13–058	6	12	0.058
25	6–13–066	6	12	0.066
28	6–13–074	6	12	0.074
30	6–9–079	6	12	0.079
32	6–9–085	6	12	0.085

No. of sheets in bundle, 10. Standard width of sheets, 5 ft. Standard lengths of sheets, 8 ft., 10 ft., 12 ft., or any equal divisions of these lengths.

128*c*. Corr-X-Metal.—Furnished by the Corrugated Bar Co., Buffalo N.Y. The weights, sectional areas, and standard sizes of sheets are given in the following table:

CORR-X-METAL

Style	Size of mesh, short way (inches)	Nominal thickness of metal (gage)	Approx. weight per sq. ft. (pounds)	Net sec. area per foot of width (sq. in.)
F	3	10	0.51	0.150
G	3	10	0.6	0.176
H	3	10	0.9	0.265
J	3	10	1.2	0.353
K	3	16	0.278	0.082
L	2¼	16	0.4	0.118
M	2¼	12	0.56	0.164
R	1½	12	0.66	0.194
S	¾	13	0.84	0.246

STANDARD SIZE SHEETS

Style	Long way of diamond	Short way of diamond
F	6′, 8′, 9′ and 10′ 8″	3′, 4′, 5′ and 6′
G	6′, 8′, 9′ and 10′ 8″	3′, 4′, 5 and 6′
H	6′, 8′, 9′ and 10′ 8″	4′ and 5′ 4″
J	6′, 8′, 9′ and 10′ 8″	3′, 4′, and 6′
K	6′ and 8′ and 10′ 8″	3′, 4′, 5′ and 6′
L	6′ and 8′ and 10′ 6″	3′, 4′, 5′ and 6′
M	6′ and 8′ and 10′ 6″	4′ and 5′ 4″
R	6′	3′, 4′, 5′ and 6′
S	6′	3′, 4′, 5′ and 6′

128*d*. Econo.—Furnished by the North Western Expanded Metal Co., Chicago, Ill. Standard sizes and weights are as follows:

ECONO EXPANDED METAL

No.	Weight per square foot (pounds)	Mesh and gage	Widths, feet	Lengths, feet
06–3	0.20	3″—16 ga.	3, 4, 6	8 and 12
10–3	0.34	3″—12 ga.	3, 4, 6	8 and 12
15–3	0.51	3″—10 ga.	3, 4, 6	8′, 10′ 6″ and 12′
16–3	0.55	3″—10 ga.	3, 4, 6	8′, 10′ 6″ and 12′
20–3	0.68	3″—10 ga.	3, 4, 6	8′ 10′ 6″ and 12″
25–3	0.85	3″—10 ga.	3, 4, 6	8′ 10′ 6″ and 12′
30–3	1.02	3″—10 ga.	3, 4, 6	8′, 10′ 6″ and 12″
35–3	1.19	3″—10 ga.	3, 4, 6	8′, 10′ 6″ and 12′
40–3	1.36	3″— 7 ga.	3′ 6″, 7′ 0″	8 and 12
10–2¼	0.34	2¼″—16 ga.	3, 4, 6	8 and 12
15–2¼	0.51	2¼″—12 ga.	3, 4, 6	8 and 12
20–2¼	0.68	2¼″—10 ga.	3, 4, 6	8 and 12
40–2¼	1.36	2¼″— 7 ga.	3′ 6″, 7′ 0″	8 and 12
10–1½	0.34	1½″—18 ga.	3, 4, 6	8 only
	0.34	1½″—16 ga.	3, 4, 6	8 and 12
20–1½	0.68	1½″—12 ga.	3, 4, 6	8 and 12
15–¾	0.51	¾″—16 ga.	3, 4, 6	8 and 12
25–¾	0.85	¾″—12 ga.	3, 4, 6	8 and 12
0–½	0.68	½″—18 ga.	3, 4, 7	8 only
24–½	0.82	½″—16 ga.	2, 4	8 only

The first two figures in the first column give the area of steel and the last figure gives the short dimensions of mesh. Thus No. 30–3 has an area of 0.30 sq. in. per 12 in. of width and has a mesh 3 in. wide.

128*e*. GF Expanded Metal.—Manufactured by the General Fireproofing Co., Youngstown, Ohio. Standard sizes are given in the following table.

GF Expanded Metal

Style	Approx. weight per sq. ft. in pounds	Deliveries	Standard size sheets	
			Lengths	Widths
			Long way of diamond	Short way of diamond
3–10–176	0.60	Carried in stock in standard sheets	6′, 8′, 9′, 10′–8″	3′, 4′, 5′, 6′
3–10–265	0.90		6′, 8′, 9′, 10′–8″	4′, 5′–4″
3–10–353	1.20		6′, 8′, 9′, 10′–8″	3′, 4′, 6′
3–12–150	0.51		6′, 8′, 9′, 10′–8″	3′, 4′, 6′
1½–12–194	0.66		6′, 8′	3′, 4′, 6′
¾–12–246	0.84		6′, 8′	3′, 4′, 6′
3–10–324	1.10	Five days to two weeks dependent on size order and unfilled business on books	6′, 8′, 9′, 10′–8″	4′–4″
3–10–25	0.85		6′, 8′, 9′, 10′–8″	5′–8″
3–10–20	0.68		6′, 8′, 9′, 10′–8″	5′–6″
3–10–162	0.55		6′, 8′, 9′, 10′–8″	3′, 4′–6″
3–10–15	0.51		6′, 8′, 9′, 10′–8″	3′, 6′
3–12–125	0.425		6′, 8′, 9′, 10′–8″	4′–4″, 6′–6″
3–12–10	0.34		6′, 8′, 9′, 10′–8″	4′, 6′–4″
3–16–082	0.278		6′, 8′, 10′–8″	3′, 4′, 5′, 6′
3–16–059	0.20		6′, 8′, 10′–8″	3′, 4′, 6′
2¼–12–164	0.56		6′, 8′, 10′–6″	4′, 5′
2¼–16–118	0.40		6′, 8′, 10′–6″	3′, 4′, 6′
2¼–16–10	0.34		6′, 8′, 10′–6″	4′, 5′
2–12–161	0.547		6′, 8′	4′, 5′
2–16–103	0.351		6′, 8′	4′, 5′
1½–12–181	0.61		6′, 8′	4′–3″
1½–16–105	0.36		6′, 8′	4′, 5′
1½–18–088	0.308		6′, 8′	3′, 6′
1–12–234	0.796		6′, 8′	4′–8″
1–16–175	0.597		6′, 8′	3′, 4′, 6′
1–18–125	0.425		6′, 8′	4′–4″
¾–16–154	0.525		6′, 8	4′–4″
¾–18–147	0.50		6′, 8	3′–8″
½–18–220	0.75		6′, 8′	4′
3–7–609	2.00	Mill shipment only	6′, 8′, 9′, 10′–8′	5′
3–6–550	1.87		6′, 8′, 9′, 10′–8″	3′, 4′, 6′
3–6–500	1.70		6′, 8′, 9′, 10′–8″	4′–4″
3–6–450	1.53		6′, 8′, 9′, 10′–8″	4′–8″
3–7–400	1.36		6′, 8′, 9′, 10′–8″	5′

Note.—Interpret styles as follows: For example 3–10–176. 3 equals short dimension of diamond in inches; 10 equals approximate gage; 176 equals 0.176 sq. in. sectional area per foot of width.

129. Rib Metal.—Rib metal is manufactured by the Trussed Concrete Steel Co., and consists of nine longitudinal ribs rigidly connected by light cross members. It is made from a sheet of metal, flat on one side and corrugated on the other. Strips of the metal adjacent to the ribs are stamped out, and the sheet is drawn out into square meshes (Fig. 29). The standard sheets are manufactured with meshes of from 2 to 8 in. and in all lengths up to 18 ft. The properties of rib metal are given in the table which follows:

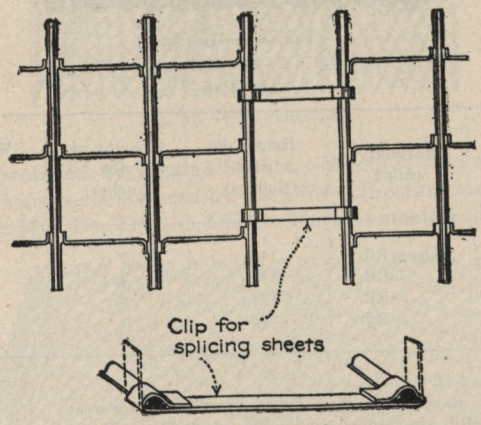


FIG. 29.—Rib metal.

RIB METAL

Size No.	Width of standard sheet, inches	Sq. ft. per linear foot of standard sheet	Area per ft. width, sq. in.	Ult. tensile strength per foot of width	Safe tensile strength per foot of width, pounds
2	16	1.33	0.54	38,880	9,720
3	24	2.00	0.36	25,920	6,480
4	32	2.67	0.27	19,440	4,860
5	40	3.33	0.216	15,552	3,888
6	48	4.00	0.18	12,960	3,240
7	56	4.67	0.154	11,088	2,772
8	64	5.33	0.135	9,720	2,430

Area of one rib = 0.09 sq. in.
Ultimate tensile strength = 6480 lb.
Safe tensile strength = 1620 lb.

130. Self-centering Fabrics.—Permanent centering fabrics (used mostly for reinforcement in concrete floor slabs resting on steel beams) are stiffened by rigid, deep ribs which do away with the use of slab forms. The mesh is made small enough to prevent ordinary concrete from passing through. The centering fabric is laid over the supports, the concrete is poured on top and the under side plastered. A simple brace along the middle of the slab span is sometimes required to give sufficient strength to the ribs until the concrete has set. The permanent centering fabrics may be obtained either in flat or segmental form.

A serious disadvantage in this type of construction is the difficulty of providing efficient fire-protection on the under side of the fabric. Bond with the concrete is also likely to be insufficient.

130a. Hy-Rib.—Hy-Rib (Fig. 30) is a steel sheathing, stiffened by deep ribs formed from a single sheet of steel. It is controlled by the Trussed Concrete Steel Co. of Youngstown, Ohio, and Detroit, Mich.



Fig. 30.—Hy-rib.

Hy-Rib

Type of Hy-Rib	Formerly called	Height of ribs (inches)	Spacing of ribs (inches)	Width of sheets (inches)	Gage Nos. U. S. Standard
1½-in. Hy-Rib	Deep-Rib	1½	7	14	22, 24, 26
15/16-in. Hy-Rib	7-Rib	15/16	4	24	22, 24, 26, 28
13/16-in. Hy-Rib	3-Rib	13/16	8	16	24, 26, 28
⅜-in. Hy-Rib	6-Rib	⅜	4	20	24, 26, 28

Standard lengths, 6, 8, and 12 ft.

Other lengths are cut from standard lengths without charge except for waste.

1½-in. and 15/16-in. Hy-Rib are shipped in bundles of 8 sheets; 13/16-in. and ⅜-in. Hy-Rib in bundles of 16 sheets.

130b. Corr-Mesh.—Corr-Mesh (Fig. 31) is furnished by the Corrugated Bar Co., Buffalo, N. Y. It is a stiff-ribbed expanded metal, the ribs being spaced 3 5/32 in. c. to c. The height of the ribs is ¾ in. and the width of the sheets is 12⅝ in. c. to c. of outside ribs.

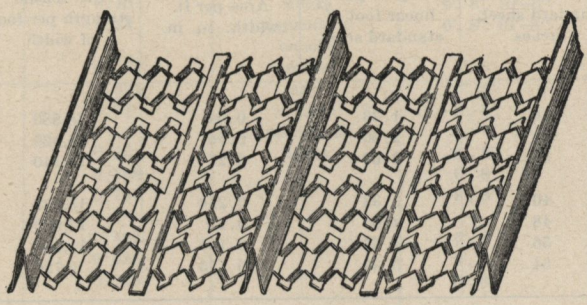


Fig. 31.—Corr-mesh.

The standard gages are No. 24, No. 26, and No. 28, although other gages can be obtained if required. The standard lengths are 6, 8, 10 and 12 ft. The sheets are furnished either flat or in various types of curves. All metal is shipped painted unless specifically ordered otherwise.

130c. Self-Sentering.—Self-Sentering (Fig. 32) is manufactured by the General Fireproofing Co., Youngstown, Ohio. It is made up of a series of heavy, cold-drawn ribs, 13/16 in. high, always spaced 3⅝ in. c. to c., connected by a form of expanded metal—all cut 10, 11, and 12 ft. Longer lengths up to 14 ft. furnished on special order. Self-Sentering is made of No. 24, 26, and 28-gage metal.

130d. Chanelath.—Chanelath (Fig. 33), furnished by the North Western Expanded Metal Co., Chicago, Ill., is a type of expanded metal composed of a series of heavy cold-formed steel T-ribs connected ogether by a mesh known as "Kno-Burn" metal lath. The T-ribs are ⅞ in. high and spaced 4 in. c. to c. The flange of the T is ½ in. wide. Chanelath is manufactured and carried in stock ready for immediate shipment in the following sizes of sheets: Lengths—3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 ft; widths—4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24, 28, 32, 36, 40, 44, and 48 in.

130e. Ribplex.—Ribplex manufactured by the Berger Mfg. Co., Canton, Ohio, is an expanded metal with ribs 4.8 in. on centers and ¾ in. high. Standard sheets are 24 in. wide and are carried in stock in 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12-ft. lengths. Sheets are made in 28, 26, and 24 gages.

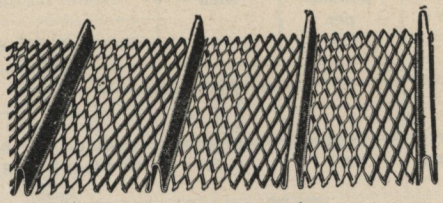


FIG. 32.—Self-Sentering.

130f. Dovetailed Corrugated Sheets.—Sheets of thin steel corrugated so as to form dovetailed grooves are manufactured by the Brown Hoisting Machinery Co., Cleveland, Ohio, and by the Berger Mfg. Co., Canton, Ohio. The first mentioned company manufactures

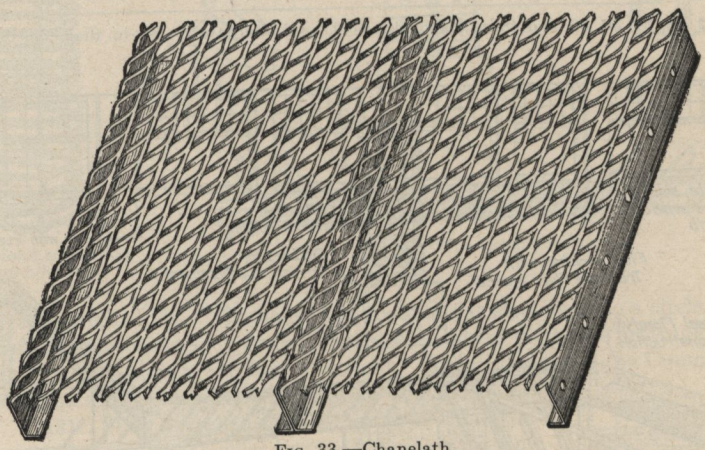


FIG. 33.—Chanelath.

a plate known are as Ferroinclave and the latter company furnishes two types of plates known a Ferro-Lithic and Multiple Steel. The dovetailing in these plates serve to unite the plates to the concrete.

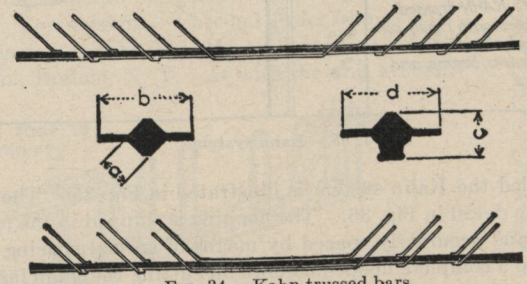


FIG. 34.—Kahn trussed bars.

131. Reinforcing Systems for Beams, Girders, and Columns.

131a. Kahn System.—The Kahn trussed bar (Fig. 34), named for its inventor is rolled with flanges, which are bent up to resist the shear in the beam. For continuous beams, inverted bars are placed over the supports in the upper part of the beam, extending over the region of tension. Praperties of Kahn trussed bars are shown in the following table:

KAHN TRUSSED BARS

Size in inches $a \times b$	Weight in pounds per foot	Area	Length of diagonals in inches	
			Standard	Special
Square Section Bars				
½×1½	1.4	0.41	12	6, 8, 18
¾×2 3/16	2.7	0.79	12, 24, 36	8, 18, 30
New Section Bars				
1½×2¼	4.8	1.41	12, 24, 36	8, 18, 30
1¾×2¾	6.8	2.00	36	24, 30, 48
2 ×3½	10.2	3.00	36	24, 30, 48

NOTE—8, 12, 18, 24, 30, 36, and 48-in. diagonals are sheared alternately. Six-in. diagonals only are sheared opposite.

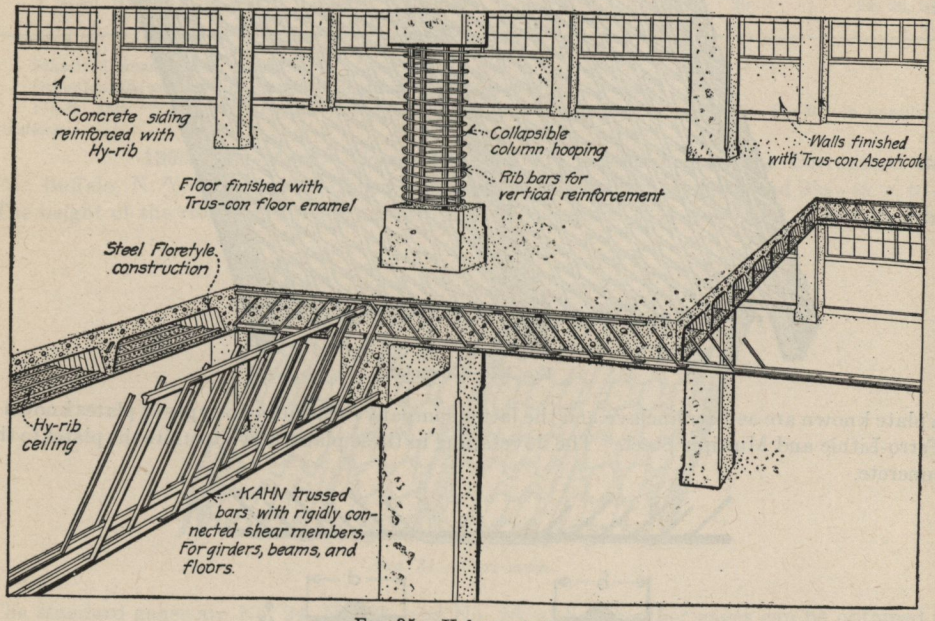


FIG. 35.—Kahn system.

What might be called the Kahn system is illustrated in Fig. 35. The collapsible column hooping is shown more in detail in Fig. 36. The hooping is shipped in the form of flat, circular coils of exact diameter and accurately spaced by means of special spacing bars. These coils spring automatically into a complete hooped column on cutting the small fastening wires. Rib bars (see Art. 126*d*) are ordinarily used as vertical reinforcement in conjunction with the hooping.

The collapsible column hooping is shipped complete with two spacing bars. Sizes of wire for hooping: ¼, 5/16, ⅜, 7/16, and ½-in. diameter. Diameter of coils: 9 to 30 in. Pitch: 1½ to 12 in. Hooping, where desired, can also be obtained in bundles, coiled to the correct diameter, and with separate spacing bars, ready for assembling in the field.

131b. Cummings System.—The Cummings system is shown in Fig. 37. U-shaped stirrups are used on the girder frame shown. They are shipped flat with the longitudinal reinforcement, but are bent up to an inclined position on the work. The rods are held together by means of a patented chair. In the Cummings hooped column, each hoop is securely

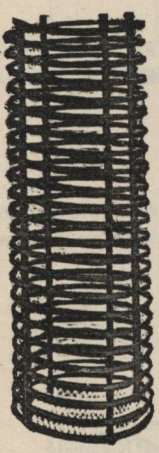


FIG. 36.—Kahn collapsible column hooping.

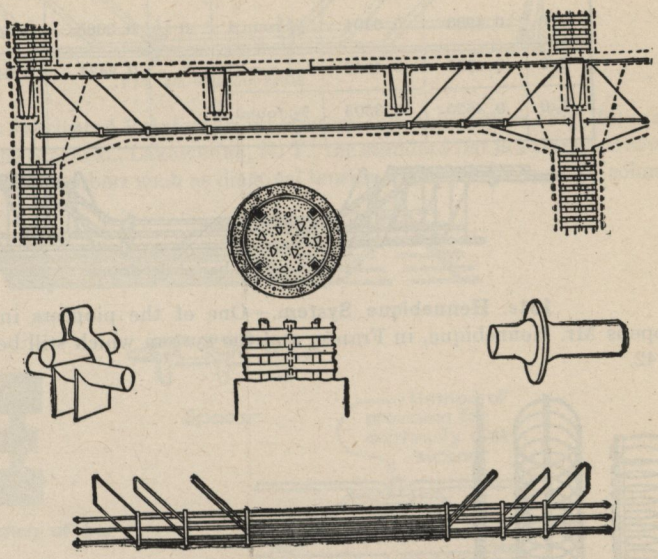


FIG. 37.—Cnmmings system.

attached to the upright rods. The hoops are made of flat steel, bent to a circle, with the ends riveted or welded together in such a manner that the ends of the hoops protrude at right angles to keep them the proper distance from the mold. Reinforcement of the Cummings system is manufactured and sold by the Electric Welding Co., Pittsburg, Pa.

131c. Unit System.—Figs. 38 and 39 show the unit system of reinforcing controlled by the American System of Reinforcing, Chicago, Ill. The girder frames are not stock frames but are built to meet the engineer's or architect's plans. Unit girder frames are provided with overlapping rods for continuous beams to reinforce against negative moment.

131d. Corr System.—Corr-bar girder frames (Fig. 40) and shop fabricated spirals (Fig. 41) are furnished by the Corrugated Bar Co., Buffalo, N. Y. As with the unit system,

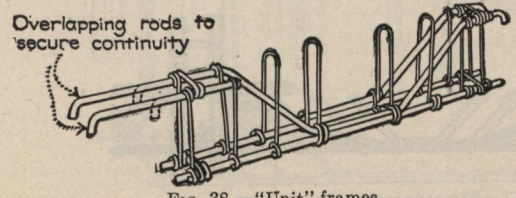


FIG. 38.—"Unit" frames.

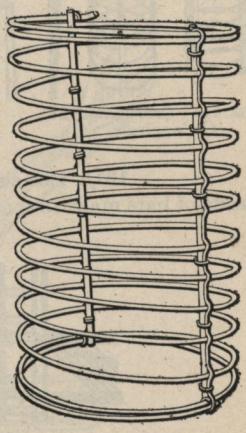


FIG. 39.—"Unit" spirals.

the girder frames are built to meet the engineer's or architect's plans. In the spiral reinforcement the spacing bars consist of two or—in large columns—four spacers made of T-section bars notched to receive the spiral. The spirals are made of cold-drawn wire and are furnished in any length, in diameters of 10 to 36 in., pitch 1 to 4 in., and of the following sizes of wire:

Gage	Dia. of wire (inch)	Wt. of wire (lb. per foot)	Practical equivalent (inch)	Gage	Dia. of wire (inch)	Wt. of wire (lb. per foot)	Practical equivalent (inch)
7/0	0.4900	0.6404	½ round	0	0.3065	0.2506	5/16 round
5/0	0.4305	0.4943	7/16 round	3	0.2437	0.0466	¼ round
3/0	0.3625	0.3505	3/8 round				

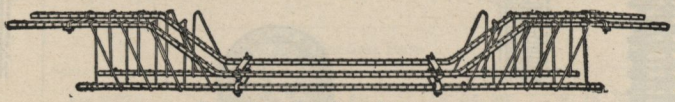


FIG. 40.—Corr-bar girder frame.

131e. Hennebique System.—One of the pioneers in concrete construction in Europe is Mr. Hennebique, in France, and the system which still bears his name is shown in Fig. 42.

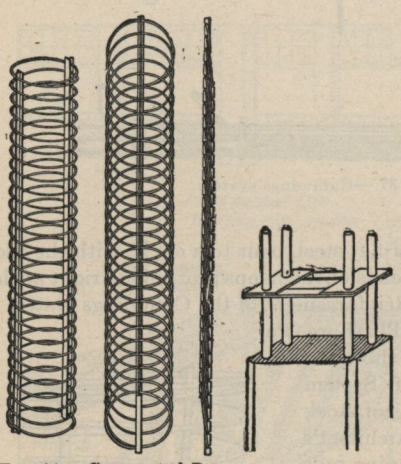


FIG. 41.—Corrugated Bar Co.'s spirals.

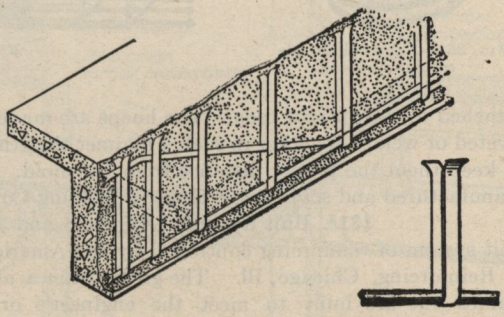


FIG. 42.—Hennebique system.

131f. Pin-connected System.—Reinforcement in the pin-connected system consists of bars made into a truss and ready for placing in the forms (see Fig. 43).

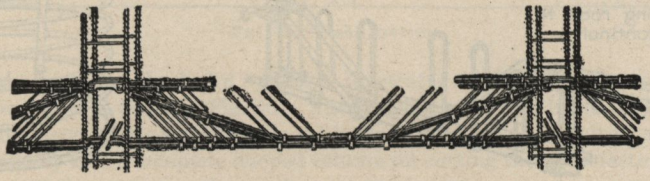


FIG. 43.—Pin-connected system.

131g. Luten Truss.—The Luten truss is shown in Fig. 44. The bars are rigidly locked together to form the truss by a clamp, with a wedge that is self-locking when driven home. The truss is especially adopted to highway culverts and bridges and is put out by the National Concrete Co.

131*h*. Xpantruss System.—The truss by this name is shown in Fig. 45, and is applicable chiefly to beams, girders, and heavy slabs. This system is patented by The Consolidated Expanded Metal Co.

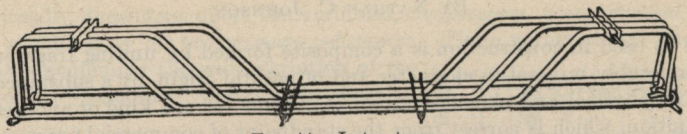


FIG. 44.—Luten truss.

131*i*. Shop Fabricated Reinforcement System.—In this system (Fig. 46) manufactured by the Lackawanna Steel Co., Lakawanna, N. Y., the standard bar is a troughed section and the auxiliary reinforcing members such as diagonal tension members, tie rods for columns,

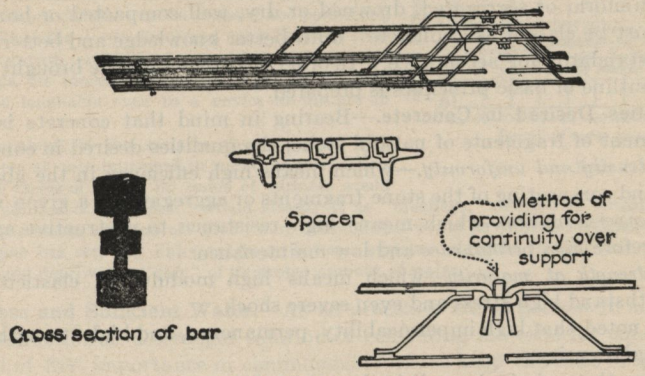


FIG. 45.—Xpantruss system.

walls, etc., are flat bars (¼ by 9/16 in.) with knobs on each edge. Fabrication is effected by placing a portion of the auxiliary flat, properly bent, within the trough and with a bulldozer or other pressure machine squeezing the wings of the main bar and also gripping the knobs of the flat.

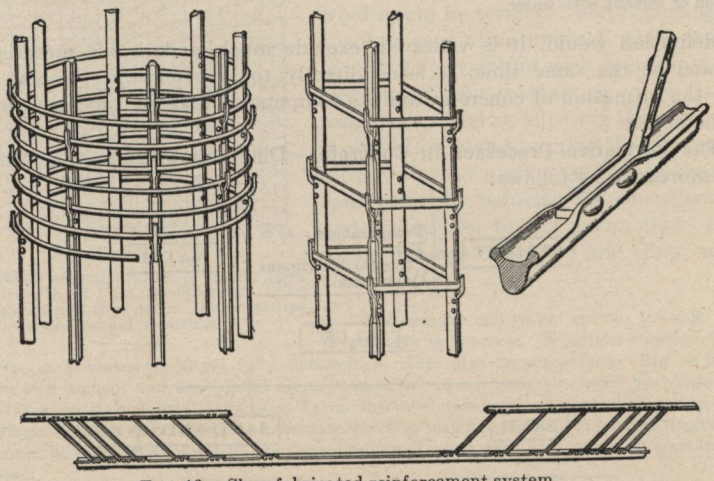


FIG. 46.—Shop fabricated reinforcement system.

The upper or troughed part of the main bar is a constant. Increased area is developed by making the section deeper as required. Tests have shown that the rivet grip, as it is called, is greater than the strength of the auxiliary member.

CEMENT MORTAR AND PLAIN CONCRETE

By Nathan C. Johnson

Concrete as used in construction is a composite formed by uniting fragments of various substances, preferably mineral in character and of natural origin, by a substance formed from the chemical or physical and chemical union of cement (of one kind or another) with water.

This definition, which is correct from the standpoint of commercial practice and its product, is open to various interpretations. It is, however, no broader than the range of products from excellent to poor, which tolerance by engineers and common acceptance has unfortunately forced upon the industry. Through this laxity, any composite of a cementing substance with aggregates, clean or dirty, graded in size or ungraded, and whether good or poor, well-mixed or poorly mixed, uniform or segregated, drowned or dry, well compacted or honeycombed with voids is and must be classed as "concrete" until better knowledge and better procedures give rise to proper standards for acceptance. In order that these may be brought nearer to hand, the following outline of basic principles is prepared.

132. Qualities Desired in Concrete.—Bearing in mind that concrete is made through re-union by cement of fragments of natural stone, the qualities desired in concretes are:

(1) *High density and uniformity.*—which means high efficiency in the absolute quantity, arrangement, and compacting of the stone fragments or aggregates in a given volume.

(2) *High impermeability*—which means high resistance to destructive agencies, such as water, and therefore *high permanence* and low maintenance.

(3) *High strength at maturity*—which means high modulus of elasticity; with ability to resist and withstand high stress and even severe shock.

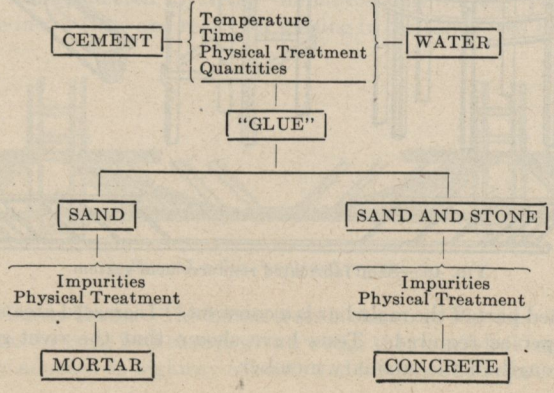
It is to be noted that high impermeability, permanence, and high strength are usually coexistent with high density.

If therefore, these desired qualities in terms of definite standards (which have not yet been agreed upon) were inserted in the definition first made, it would read:

> Concrete as used in construction is a composite *possessing high density and uniformity; impermeability, and permanence; high strength at maturity and high modulus of elasticity,* formed by uniting fragments of various substances, preferably mineral in character and of natural origin, by a substance formed from the chemical or physicochemical union of cement with water.

This definition would, it is ventured, exclude much undesirable material that now is accepted, and at the same time, it leads directly to a better conception of the principles underlying the formation of concrete from its components and the processes necessary to its proper manufacture.

133. The Formative Processes in Concrete.—Diagrammatically, the formation of concrete (and mortar) is as follows:



A consideration of this leads at once to the premise that the chemical union of cement (usually Portland cement) with water, both in quality and quantity, is the basis on which attainment of desired success depends; and further, that this formation of cementing substance is critically dependent upon the variables, *temperature, time, physical treatment,* and *the relative quantities of the two primary substances.* These variables and their fluctuations go far towards explaining the wide variation of results common to "standard" practices in concrete making.

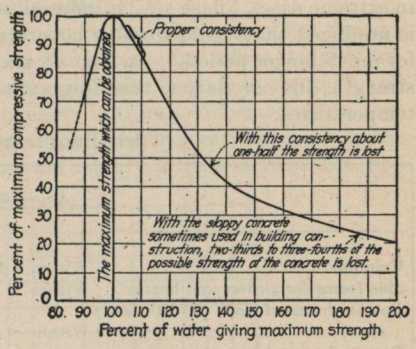


FIG. 47.

For ease of understanding, consider this union between cement and water as the production of a "glue." In this aspect, concrete making as at present practiced is undeniably comparable to wetting the mineral surfaces to be united and sprinkling them here and there with powdered "glue," laying one on another without definite forceful pressure and permitting diffusion to distribute the slowly dissolving "glue" entirely over the surfaces to be united, until lack of water, through leakage or evaporation, stops the process. Needless to say, such a proceeding would be laughable even to a novice in the art of woodworking.

In further analogy, if the surfaces thus sprinkled with powdered glue were at once immersed in water, or surrounded by a considerable excess of water, no union of surfaces would be expected, for dilution of the "glue" would classify it as "mucilage," unfitted to withstand stress. And in further parallel, if a strong solution of "glue" were desired, heat would serve as an accelerator to that end. And lastly, after the glue has set, any union produced between surfaces might be lost by too quick an exposure to drying, which would deprive the "glue" of its proper amount of water.

134. Excess and Sufficient Water.—As no processes are at present in acceptance for the commercial production of a stronger solution of cementing material for concrete, it becomes necessary, and of first importance in commercial work, to keep the ratio of powdered cement to water as high as possible by using only enough water to give the mass of cement, water, and aggregates sufficient plasticity to be readily workable, so that it will closely fill all spaces and contact closely with forms.

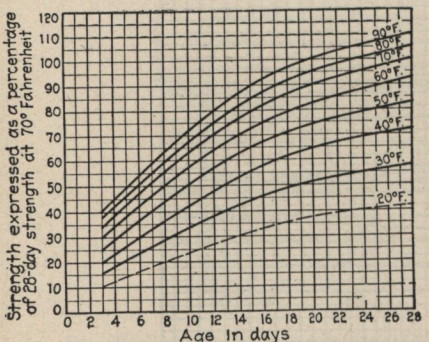


FIG. 48.—Effect of temperature of curing upon compressive strength of 1 : 2 : 4 concrete. (The temperatures given are the mean temperatures encountered during the period of curing.)

Care in this particular will tend to keep, at what might be termed "useful glueing strength," the fluid cementing product, which fluid alone can contact to any extent with aggregates, solid particles necessarily contacting only at points of tangency. And as affecting the amount of water, it should be borne in mind that fine sands require more water for a given plasticity than do coarse sands, thereby reducing the concentration of glue and giving rise to the axiom that "coarse sands make strong concrete and fine sands, weak concrete."

But cement and water are not the sole determinators of strength in concrete. A certain dilution by the aggregates themselves, in a manner not yet fully determined, must also be recognized. But so far as the ratio of water to powdered cement and the "useful glueing strength" of solutions produced by common methods is concerned, the investigations of Prof. Abrams at Lewis Institute have evolved a curve expressive of the relation between percentage of water and strength of concrete which is instructive (Fig. 47). The diagram shows that an endeavor should be made in all cases to use the minimum of water that will enable satisfactory placement of the materials used.

135. Time Required to Produce Strong Cementing Solutions.—Into the process of producing a "glue" by union of cement and water, time necessarily enters as a governing factor. Before the various particles of aggregates that make up a cubic foot of concrete are placed in their final position of rest in forms, the solution of cement surrounding them is quite weak,

even with the minimum quantity of water. The bulk of the fluid portion surrounding each particle and lying between them carries but little material effective for solidity and adhesion until diffusion, which is slow, can bring about a greater concentration. Further, the reaction products of Portland cement and water are of rather slow formation at temperatures at or below 75 deg. F., although elevated temperatures increase the formation of such products until, in extreme cases, "flash set" is induced, while at a lower temperature, so little of these products is produced that "cold-weather concretes" are notoriously weak, requiring support by forms for much longer period.[1] In Fig. 48 may be seen graphically the effect of temperature upon strength, and corollary to this, forms should be left in place for the following periods at given temperatures:

TIME REQUIRED BEFORE REMOVING FORMS

	Above 60°F.	50 to 60°F.	40 to 50°F.	Less than 40°F.
Columns	Within 3 days	5 da.	Not less than 10 da.	Not until tests have been made indicating that the concrete is set
Side forms for girders and beams	Within 4 da.	6 da.	Not less than 10 da.	
Bottom forms of slabs (6 ft. or less span)	Within 4 da.	8 da.	Not less than 14 da.	
Bottom forms of beams and girders (less than 14-ft. span)	Within 14 da.	18 da.	Not less than 14 da.	

Time and temperature, therefore, as determinants of chemical action necessary to the formation of a "glue" for concrete aggregates, are found to be not abstruse, theoretical conjurings, but to have direct, commercial importance and any neglect of these factors will bring an inescapable penalty.

136. Mixing and Placing Concrete.—No operation is of greater importance or more exacting in its nature than mixing concrete. For commercial reasons, mixing a batch of concrete

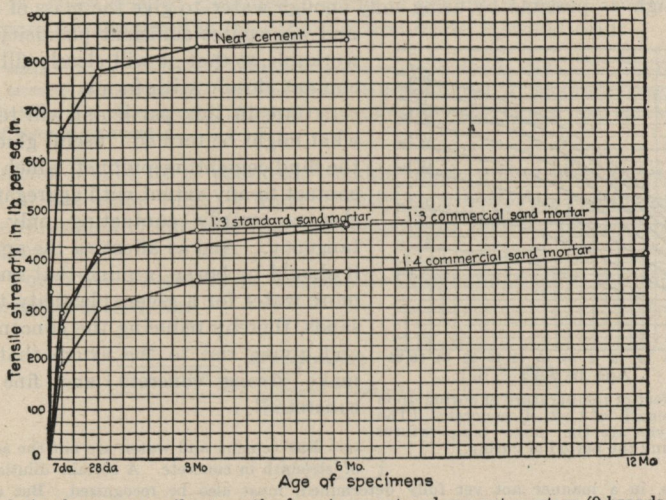


FIG. 49.—Relation between tensile strength of neat cement and cement mortars (9 brands of cement).

of whatever size has a time allowance that custom has established at about 1 minute, from start of charging of mixer to finish of discharge, ready for a new batch. Yet, in the brief period thus allowed for actual mixing, it is required that about 100 to 200 billion sand grains, 200 to 300 billion cement particles, and about 1 million stone particles shall be wetted, and evenly distributed into a homogeneous mass for each cubic yard of concrete.

The task is stupendous. Difficult even for the best of machines, the poorer machines

[1] For fuller discussion of this subject, see N. C. Johnson, Journal Engineers Club of Philadelphia, Sept., 1919.

produce a result little better than that of hand mixing; and hand mixing should not be indulged except in an emergency. Each sand grain, each cement particle, each piece of stone is put into concrete to do its share of bearing the total burden imposed on the mass; and if it is not to remain idle, it must have its proper place and its share of "glue" to stick it to its neighbor. Give mixing its due respect and placing will be easier and results better.

137. Placing Concrete and Its Relation to Quality.—It is of no purpose to establish through efficient mixing the ingredients of concrete in proper position one to another unless this relationship is maintained until they are in forms, presumably in the positions they are to occupy for all time to come. Over-wet concretes, in particular, unmix easily in transit to forms; and in deep sections, give rise to considerable formation of laitance, which, in its commercial sense, is the finer particles of cement and aggregates rising to the top and solidifying as a chalky, soft, and

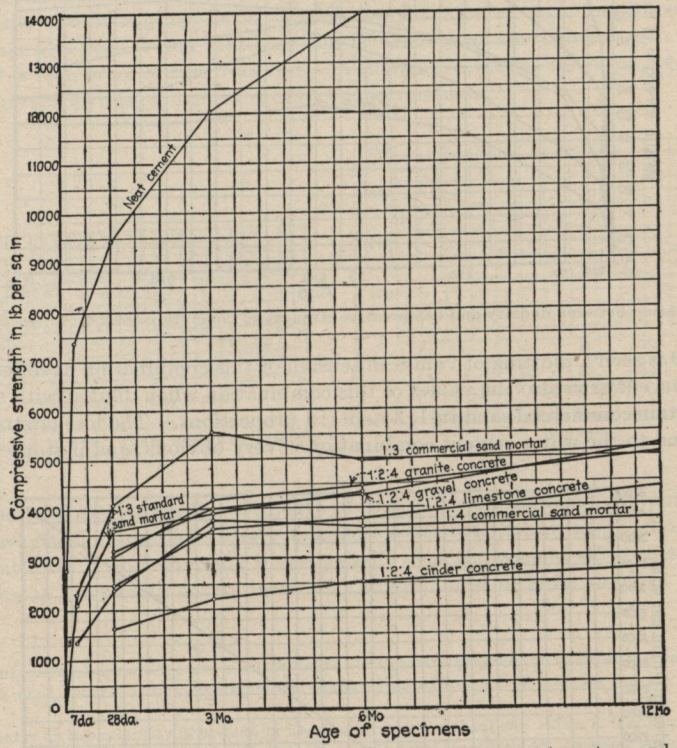


FIG. 50.—Relation between compressive strength of neat cement, cement mortars, and concretes (9 brands of cement).

pervious substance. Needless to say, this separation of fine materials is "segregation," no less than separation of coarse materials; and it results in low uniformity and low density with lack of impermeability, strength, and other desirable qualities.

The means chosen for placement, therefore, should be adapted to the work in hand; and the consistency of the concrete to the means of transit from mixer to forms. Usually, properly proportioned and mixed concrete may be properly placed, whether by buggies or chutes or cars or other means of transport. To bring about as close a compacting as possible, puddling with poles or spades, ramming, or joggling are all permissible if properly done and not to excess.

138. Qualities of Concrete.—Assuming proper proportioning, mixing, and placing of concrete, certain qualities may be expected of the composite in an average of instances. These values are, of course, dependent upon the qualities and properties of the cement and of the aggregates severally and jointly and upon their quantity presence in the combination; and they

have been established by repeated tests, many thousands of which are on record where they may be consulted.

139. Average Strength Values of Neat Cement and Mortars.—Since the combination of cement with water is fundamental in the making of concrete, the value of these substances alone is of interest.

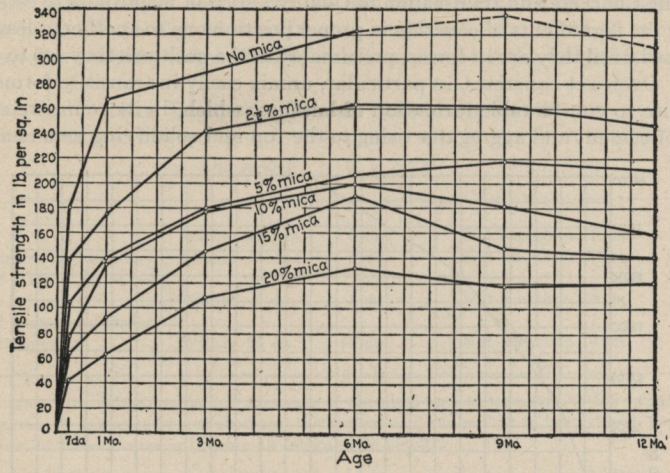


FIG. 51.—Relation between density and compressive strength of concrete. (Mix 1 : 2 : 4. Age, 4 weeks.)

In Fig. 49 is seen a plotting of values in tension of this combination at different ages; and in the same curve is seen also the values of this combination when diluted with standard sand and with a certain commercial sand in 1:3 and 1:4 proportions. The loss of strength through addition of sand to the water-cement combination is very obvious; and if stone were added to

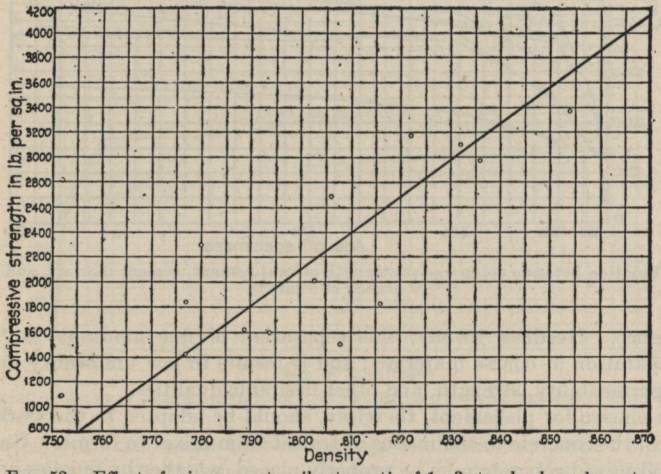


FIG. 52.—Effect of mica upon tensile strength of 1 : 3 standard sand mortar.

make concrete, a further loss would result. The cause of this loss is as yet not wholly clear, for sand and stone are each inherently stronger than cement. But it probably results from (1) poor contacting of sand and stone with cementing solutions, (2) existence of dilute solutions only of cementing products at surfaces to be united; and (3) the presence of impurities, such as air, or dust films on these surfaces.

140. Tensile and Compressive Strengths.—The foregoing values of neat cement and mortars are based on tensile tests. Concrete, however, due to loss of strength alluded to above, has little value in tenstion and finds its usefulness as a resistant to compressive stress.

In Fig. 50 is a graphic presentation of compression test values for concrete of several kinds as well as for cement-water and cement-water-sand combinations. It is to be noted that although further dilution by stone and loss of strength is in evidence, this loss is not proportionate to the original loss suffered by cement-water specimens on addition of sand. The explanation lies both in the inherent strength of the stone particles, each of which may comprise as many as 10,000 or even 20,000 sand particles, and in the small number of stones particles added relative to the sand particles as before set forth, together with relatively small increase of surface area to be covered by "glueing" products, with proportionately less introduction of adulterants and impurities.

141. Density and Strength.—Density has before been stated as of first importance in concrete, and it has also been stated that high density usually means high strength.

In Fig. 51 is seen proof of this from test. Although the test points as plotted are variable, the average curve drawn is expressive of the general relation.

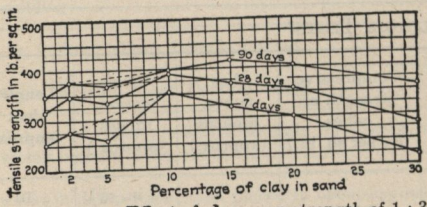


FIG. 53.—Effect of clay upon strength of 1 : 3 commercial sand mortar. (All mixtures artificially made in the laboratory.)

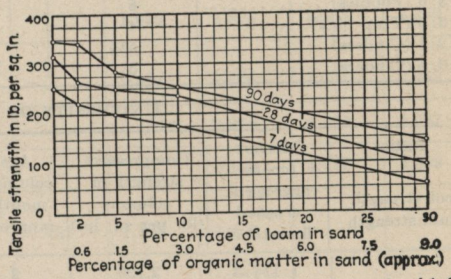


FIG. 54.—Effect of organic loam upon strength of 1:3 mortar.

142. Impurities and Strength.—Strength of concrete is diminished by impurities. As yet, however, knowledge is vague as to what substances constitute impurities; and only those most grossly evident have been commonly investigated. But the general effect of several of these have been more or less closely determined; and all are found to have an effect detrimental to strength.

Air is a most common impurity; and since presence of air means presence of voids, it is closely related to density or the lack of it. Fig. 51 may, therefore, be taken as an expression of the effect of air as an impurity on strength.

Mica in greater or less quantity is present in nearly all commercial sands. Mica is fragile and flaky; and further, it cannot be wetted, so that cement will not adhere. It operates, therefore, to lower strength and the effect of different percentages is shown in Fig. 52.

Clay and silt, though differing in chemical composition, are alike in their effect on the strength of concrete, principally because of the extreme fineness of their particles, and the vast number of these particles present in a small volume. Although for certain water-tight work and to secure an easy working, fatty mixture, the presence of these materials is advantageous in small quantity, an excess of either will result in material loss of strength. The effect of clay in varying percentages is shown in Fig. 53.

The effect of silt and clay as regards easy working is similar to additions of hydrated lime for the same purpose. In fact, either may be used with about equal satisfaction for this purpose; and, in either case, an added distributive burden is laid upon the mixer and more water is also required.

Loam is analogous to silt as regards fineness and number of particles, but has an added detrimental effect on strength due to the presence in it of *organic matter*, which, possibly by decomposition, strikes directly at the cement with inhibition of its valuable qualities. The effect of loam, further treated in the chapter on "Concrete Aggregates and Water," is shown in Fig. 54.

143. Average Strengths of Concrete.—The following table gives average strengths for concretes of different materials and compositions:

Watertown Arsenal Tests[1]

Mixture and character of coarse aggregate	Age, months (approx.)	compressive strength (lb. per sq. in.)	Cross-section, inches (approx.)	Length, feet (approx.)
1:1 Mortar	6	5011+	12.5×12.5	8
1:2 Mortar	6	3652	12.5×12.5	8
1:2 Mortar	6	2488	12.5×12.5	8
1:3 Mortar	6	2062	12.5×12.5	8
1:3 Mortar	6	2692	12.5×12.5	8
1:4 Mortar	6	1564	12.5×12.5	8
1:4 Mortar	6	1471	12.5×12.5	8
1:5 Mortar	6	1038	12.5×12.5	8
1:5 Mortar	6	1082	12.5×12.5	8
1:1:2 Pebbles)	5	1525	12.5×12.5	8
1:1:2 Pebbles)	8	1720	12.5×12.5	8
1:1:2 (Trap rock)	5	3900	12.5×12.5	8
1:2:3 (Pebbles)	8	1769	12.5×12.5	8
1:2:4 (Pebbles)	3½	1710	12.5×12.5	8
1:2:4 (Pebbles)	5	1506	12.5×12.5	8
1:2:4 (Trap rock)	5	1750	12.5×12.5	8
1:2:4 (Trap rock)	6	1990	12.5×12.5	8
1:2:5 (Pebbles)	3	1100	12.5×12.5	8
1:3:6 (Pebbles)	5	700	12.5×12.5	8
1:3:6 (Pebbles)	8	462	12.5×12.5	8
1:3:6 (Trap rock)	4	1350	12.5×12.5	8
1:2:4 (Cinders)	5½	871	12.5×12.5	8
1:3:6 (Cinders)	5	1060	12.5×12.5	8

University of Illinois Tests[2]

Ratio $\frac{\text{col. strength}}{\text{cube strength}}$	Mixture (coarse aggregate, crushed limestone)	Compressive strength of columns (lb. per sq. in.)	Age columns, months (approx.)	Compressive strength of cubes (lb. per sq. in.)	Age cubes, months (approx.)	Cross-section, inches (approx.)	Length, feet (approx.)
....	1:1½:3	2,120	2	.....[3]	.	12 in. cyl.	10
95.3	1:1½:3	2,480	2	2,600	2	12 in. cyl.	10
69.9	1:2:3¾	1,710	2	2,443	2	12 × 12	12
....	1:2:3¾	2,004	2	.....	.....	9 × 9	12
....	1:2:3¾	1,610	2	.....	.....	12 × 12	12
....	1:2:3¾	1,709	2	.....	.....	12 × 12	12
60.5	1:2:3¾	1,189	2	1,962	2	12 × 12	6
....	1:2:3¾	1,079	2	.....	.....	9 × 9	6
....	1:2:3¾	2,650	12	.....	.....	12 × 12	12
....	1:2:3¾	2,770	16	.....	.....	12 × 12	12
....	1:2:4	1,165	2	.....	.....	12 in. cyl.	10
....	1:2:4	2,000	2	.....	.....	12 in. cyl.	10
....	1:2:4	2,210	2	.....	.....	12 in. cyl.	10
78.1	1:2:4	1,590	2	2,035	2	12 in. cyl.	10
....	1:2:4	1,945	2	.....	.....	12 in. cyl.	10
78.3	1:2:4	1,460	2	1,865	2	12 in. cyl.	10
....	1:2:4	1,810	2	.....	.....	12 in. cyl.	10
80.4	1:2:4	1,925	6	2,390	6	12 in. cyl.	10
99.7	1:2:4	1,845	6	1,850	6	12 in. cyl.	10
99.7	1:2:4	1,770	6	1,775	6	12 in. cyl.	10
99.8	1:2:4	2,680	6	2,685	6	12 in. cyl.	10
85.3	1:2:4	2,160	6	2,530	6	12 in. cyl.	10
74.6	1:2:4	1,770	6	2,370	6	12 in. cyl.	10
....	1:3:6	955	2	.....	.....	12 in. cyl.	10
....	1:3:6	1,110	2	.....	.....	12 in. cyl.	10
....	1:4:8	575	2	.....	.....	12 in. cyl.	10
....	1:4:8	575	2	.....	.....	12 in. cyl.	10
University of Wisconsin Tests[4]							
84.0	1:2:4	2,040	2	2,427	2	12 × 12	10
88.0	1:2:4	2,110	2	2,395	2	12 × 12	10
91.7	1:2:4	2,055	2	2,240	2	12 × 12	10
88.1	1:2:4	2,080	2	2,340	2	12 × 12	10

[1] "Tests of Metals," 1904, 1905.

[2] *Bulls.* 10 and 20 of the Univ. of Ill., Eng. Exper. Station.

[3] Data from tests of cubes made at ages which do not correspond even approximately to the age of the column made from the same concrete have been omitted.

[4] *Bull.* 300.

144. Effect of Curing Conditions on Strength.—Concrete attains full strength slowly; and throughout this period of strength growth, a supply of moisture must be available, else drying out will bring a cessation of the chemical action between water and cement, with, in extreme cases, total loss of bonding power through drying of the 'glue." In the accompanying table is shown the effect of varying moisture content during curing.

EFFECT OF VARIATION OF MOISTURE CONDITION IN CURING PERIOD
Tests of Bureau of Standards[1]

Mix class of concrete, and curing conditions	Compressive strength (lb per sq. in.)				
	1 week	4 weeks	13 weeks	26 weeks	52 weeks
1:6 gravel (quaking): In damp closet entire period.....	...	1,898	1,968	2,172	2,400
1:6 gravel (quaking): 4 weeks in damp closet, then removed.....	...	1,648	1,825	2,063	2,220
1:2:4 trap rock (quaking): Immersed immediately after molding.....	...	2,851	3,570+	4,094+	3,956
24 hr. in damp closet, them immersed.....	...	3,978+	3,978+	4,100	4,247+
8 weeks in damp closet, then immersed.....	...	...	3,190	3,457	3,389
1:2:4 gravel (mushy): Sprinkled daily for 1 week, then stored indoors in dry room.....	481	1,104	1,469		
4 weeks in damp room, then placed in open, exposed to weather.....	...	1,834	2,500		
1:2:4 gravel (quaking): In damp closet entire period...	...	2,612			
Open air, exposed to weather entire period.....	...	2,085			

[1] *Tech. Paper* 58.

As before stated, heat vitally affects the basic reaction between cement and water on which strength depends. In Fig. 48, p. 979 is shown the effect of this variable as found by A. B. McDaniel (Bul. Univ. of Ill., 81).

145. Effect on Strength of Materials Used.—In all concrete, dependence must be primarily placed upon the materials themselves, as well as upon proper use and proper attending conditions. It is therefore both of interest and a necessity to examine these individually and collectively.

146. Quantities of Materials Required per Cubic Yard of Concrete.—The conditions on construction work do not approach those of laboratory work, and there is always a considerable waste of cement, sand, and stone. It has been found in practice, that, when estimating, it is not safe to allow less than the following amounts of cement for different proportions of mix:

1:1½:3 mix . . . . . 2.00 bbl. per cu.yd.
1:2:4 mix . . . . . 1.66 bbl. per cu. yd.
1:2½:5 mix . . . . . 1.40 bbl. per cu. yd.
1:3:6 mix . . . . . 1.20 bbl. per cu. yd.

The amount of sand and stone required per cubic yard of concrete is theoretically dependent upon the size of grain and upon the distribution of sizes of grains in a given volume of the material. Recent investigations into the effect of fineness of sand and also into the effect of fineness in relation to theoretical surface area of particles has resulted in coinage of the expression "Designing" of mixtures. It is often forgotten, however, that the

more refined procedures are difficult of application in the field; and it is furthur often forgotten that the absolute quantity of sand may vary from 40 to 60% by volume measurement according as to its grading and the amount of moisture resident in it. Furthermore, even with sands of like grading and like moisture content the absolute quantity of sand obtained by volume measurement is wholly dependent upon the manner of filling the measuring container. Therefore a wide variation may be introduced by those procedures commonly classed as "best."

This means that in commercial mixtures of some arbitrary proportions, such as 1: 2: 4, the actual proportions may be 1: 1: 4 or even richer. This not improbably accounts for the higher strengths found in field concretes as contrasted with laboratory mixtures made from the same materials. The quanity of stone obtained by volume measurement is practically constant.

147. Weight of Mortar and Concrete.—The weight of mortars and concretes varies with the proportions of the mixture, the consistency used in mixing, and the character and granular metric composition of the aggregates. William B. Fuller found the following range of weights of mortars of various proportions made with the same sand and cement:

Proportions of mixture.....	1:1	1:2	1:3	1:4	1:5	1:6	1:7
Ave. weight (lb. per cu. ft.).	145.1	143.3	140.0	137.7	138.6	135.5	137.6

The Bureau of Standards found the following relation between weight of gravel concrete and the proportions of mixture (*Tech. Paper* 58):

Proportions of mixture.....	1:1:2	1:1½:3	1:2:4	1:2½:5	1:3:6	1:4:8
Ave. weight (lb. per cu. ft.).....	147	145	144	143	142	140

REINFORCED CONCRETE

By Nathan C. Johnson

As pointed out in the preceding chapter, concrete has low strength in tension, though high strength in compression. To overcome the weakness of plain concrete in tension, steel is added. This addition is usually in the form of bars, embedded in the concrete mass while plastic and in quantities dependent upon the nature and magnitude of the stress to be sustained.

148. Steel as a Component Material.—Fortunately for the success of the combination, steel possesses substantially the same coefficient of expansion as does concrete. This means that once relationship is established between steel and its surrounding concrete, variations in temperature will not alone bring about its disturbance, but that the two will co-act. It is possible, however, that stress might bring about a change; and in order to minimize these possibilities, the bars are usually of "deformed," or irregular section, in order to assist the natural bond formed with the encasing materials, the steel in all cases acting as an aggregate of special forms and qualities, held in place and made of value by the same "glue" that acts on other aggregates.

149. Concrete As Fire Protection for Steel.—A further advantage is obtained with this combination in that concrete, which has a low heat conductivity combined with rigidity, acts as a "fireproofing" for the embedded steel, enabling it to continue unimpaired its stress-resisting functions under conditions, as in a fire, where steel not thus protected would speedily become soft and useless.

150. Concrete As a Rust Protection for Steel.—Where moisture and oxygen have access to steel, rusting is unavoidable. Steel encased in a dense concrete, however, rusts little if any,

due partly to the chemical effect of lime hydrate derived from the cement, but more particularly to the prevention by the surrounding concrete of water having access to the steel. But where concrete is porous, rusting proceeds. And rusting results further in expansive pressure, so that not only is the steel destroyed to greater or less extent by the rusting, but the protective casing is also split off by the same agency.

151. Concrete of Proper Quality the Prime Requisite.—It is evident from the above that in the concrete-steel combination, proper quality of concrete is of first importance. Reinforcement plays its chief part by functioning in tension. It cannot function alone in compression, nor is it able to withstand, without proper bedment in concrete of good quality, the destructive agencies above noted. Reinforcement should be given its proper dues, but the use of reinforcement confers no license to violate the rules of the proper making of concrete, nor by it use is a new and magical substance created. The first step in the successful use of reinforced concrete is to cover the reinforcement with the best concrete that can be produced, which involves all the factors set forth as influencing concrete when made without steel.

152. Weight of Reinforced Concrete.—Reinforcing steel adds from 3 to 5 lb. per cu. ft. to the weight of plian concrete, when used in usual quantities. Reinforced concrete is assumed in design to weigh 150 lb. per cu. ft., but this again depends upon the density of the concrete surrounding the steel and upon the aggregate employed in it. Special light-weight aggregate employed by the U. S. Shipping Board in constructing reinforced concrete ships is said to have a weight as low as 100 lb. per cu. ft.

153. Unit Stress Values for Reinforced Concrete.—See the Joint Committee's Report Appendix *J*.

CONCRETE BUILDING STONE

By Harvey Whipple

Concrete stone is a superior building unit when it is properly made. It is so accepted by discriminating architects for the better class of buildings and other structures, even in preference to and at a higher price than natural stone. This higher development of the product is not general, however, throughout the country. In many places concrete units are on the market as scarcely more than makeshift substitutes for other recognized materials, at a lower price, and attain no architectural preferment.

The difference in the development of concrete stone in various sections of the country may be attributed in a general way to purely economic causes. In places at sufficient distance from sources of other building materials—either quarries or kilns—manufacturers have been encouraged to develop their methods and their facilities so as to produce concrete stone of very high structural and architectural quality. In other sections, near to large natural stone and burned clay producing centers, concrete stone has been made chiefly with the thought to undersell the established products and here the quality, generally speaking, is not so high, either from the structural or the architectural viewpoint.

Another very important factor in the general advancement of the concrete stone manufacturing industry lies in the fact that the cheaper, more common, and thoroughly ugly concrete building block have been recognized very easily by the public as *concrete*—or as ordinarily termed, "cement block." On the other hand, the better quality concrete stone building units are not recognized by the general public, nor for that matter by many architects, as concrete. The good conc ete units, except on close inspection, appear to the casual eye to be natural stone while all the bad units come plainly enough within the category of "cement block."

154. Grades of Concrete Building Stone.—Superior grades of concrete stone building units are made to measure from architects' details, and are surface dressed to reveal texture and color. They rival natural stone in every way, and in many instances are far less likely to suffer discoloration and disintegration from exposure to the atmosphere and to frost. There is a great difference between such concrete stone building units and the ordinary concrete building block, made in machines or multiple molds in standard unit sizes. Again there is a very

great difference among products of standard machines or multiple molds, depending upon the extent to which the manufacturer has been ruled by a desire to make a cheap product—something to urge upon the public for basement walls only, or for the upper walls of cheap houses that might otherwise be built of wood—or by a desire to make a truly architectural product to compete upon an equal basis with good face brick, with terra cotta, or with natural stone, as the case may be.

Each of these various grades of concrete stone is to be had, some of them all together in one locality, others dominating a locality to the exclusion of other grades of products. Each one of them has its uses.

155. Uses of the Cheaper Grades of Concrete Stone.—The cheapest grade of all is a very poor concrete block with a compressive strength less than 1200 lb. per sq. in., or an absorption greater than 15 % of its weight of water in a 24-hr. immersion test. Products even of this low quality may very well be considered for use upon an equal basis with the ordinary run of common brick in the construction of the walls of ordinary residences or in most other structures where the cheaper masonry work is required. Such use of concrete building block would scarcely have come into question but for the mistake of early manufactures in urging the use of such block in walls with the interior plastering applied direct to the block instead of on lath over furring strips.

The so-called rock-face block has done much to injure the standing of the material generally—another outcome of the desire to imitate. Plain rough block, made with aggregate as coarse as the limitations of manufacturing operations will permit, make a handsome wall. Another increasing use of plain rough faced block is as a base for stucco finish of various color and texture effects.

156. Methods of Manufacture.

156*a*. Dry-tamp Method.— 'Dry-tamped" products have been by far the most common. The molding equipment used has been the most abused. It is still used by numerous manufacturers who fail to insist upon the first essentials of good concrete and yet other manufacturers are making excellent units with similar machines. The mixture of concrete ranges in consistency from slightly more than damp to that degree of wetness which will just stand up when the mold is removed immediately after each operation. The concrete is tamped into place, either by hand tamps, or by pneumatically or electrically actuated tamps, or by power driven tampers operated from a framework built above the molding machine, and with tamping heads to fit the mold box in use. Good products are made by any of the three methods of tamping, but the most dependable, because its results are not discounted by fatigue in the operator, is with the power driven equipment.

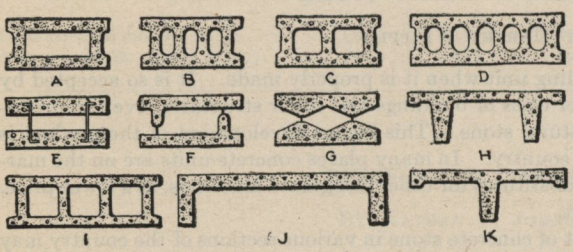


FIG. 55.—Horizontal cross-sections of representative types of concrete block.

"Stripper" Block.—If block or tile are to be produced solely for structural purposes, probably the simplest molding operations are attained in that type of machine which produces the block upright in the mold and in the machine introducing and removing the cores forming the hollow space in an upward and downward motion. Thus the faces of the block are always perpendicular to the bed of the machine, and the block is "stripped" out of the mold with a trowelling action on its sides. Such equipment permits the use of concrete of more nearly ideal consistency than tamp equipment of other types.

Faced Block.—When block are to be produced faced with a special facing mixture, used only in a thin layer next to the exposed face or faces, the machine chosen will be of the face-up or face-down type. It will readily be seen that where a layer of special material is to be backed up with a different body mixture of concrete, the molding operation will be much more simple if the facing is placed in a layer on the bottom or else on the top; in either case on a horizontal surface. Where more than one side of a block is to be faced it is, of course, a comparatively simple matter, but less rapid, to put the facing at the side.

Operation of Cores.—The manufacture of hollow units, in which from 25 to 50 % of the horizontal area of a block is air space, involves a variety of machine features in the creation of air spaces (see Fig. 55).

In most machines the cores are introduced into the mold box by a movement of a lever after a part of the mixed concrete has been deposited and compacted. The remaining space between, around and above the cores is filled and compacted and the excess material struck off, either by a movement of a hand straight-edge or by a device forming a part of the machine.

Some machines provide for the withdrawal of these cores horizontally, and some equipment is so designed that after the box is filled the mold box is turned over; the core is then removed by a downward motion. The chief value of equipment which provides that the cores shall be withdrawn downward is in the fact that the walls and the cross-webs of the block stand vertically on the pallet before the support of the cores is removed. This reduces the tendency of the walls of the block to sag into the hollow space or spaces. Such equipment usually permits the use of a slightly wetter mixture of concrete than can be used in a machine with similar core areas where the core is withdrawn horizontally, inasmuch as, with given materials, the tendency to sag increases (beyond a certain degree of minimum wetness) with the proportion of water in the mixture.

The cores, as the block is molded, are in a horizontal position and the block in its vertical dimension is thus also in a horizontal position.

156*b*. Pressure Method.—The application of pressure in compacting concrete is accomplished in both hand and power driven equipment. Pressure machines are made for the exertion of mechanical pressure by hand or power, and other machines are hydraulic in their application of pressure.

In their operation it is generally possible to use a slightly wetter mixture than can be successfully manipulated under most machines which rely upon tamping in securing density, yet in this, as in tamp machines, much depends upon how the product is released from the mold. Too wet a mixture in a dry-tamp machine will be displaced by tampers, rather than compacted. In pressure machines the compacting force is exerted evenly over the entire area of the mold box, and displacement is impossible.

156*c*. Wet-cast Method.—"Wet-cast" products are made by two distinctly different methods and with entirely different results.

To meet the criticism of concrete block made by the "dry-tamp" method that they were made so dry that they were thirsty in every rain that followed (which was undoubtedly true of many products), multiple steel molds came into use. These gang molds are ordinarily made of sheet and pressed steel. The molds are usually mounted upon trucks so they may be moved to the mixer, filled, and rolled away to harden until the following day when the mold sections are taken down, oiled, and reassembled. Such multiple molds have cores formed also of pressed steel and these lie in the molds in a horizontal position. To fill the molds rapidly around these cores the block manufacturer frequently goes as far to the extreme of wetness as the dry-tamp manufacturer goes in the other direction.

The other wet mix method of manufacture involves the use of sand molds, not unlike those used in iron foundries. The sand mold method involves the making of special patterns, under and around which the sand is tamped on the casting floor. Then the patterns are removed in one piece, if it is so-called "straight" work, or in several pieces as previously provided to meet the requirements of the special unit. The sand mold remaining is filled with a wet but smoothly mixed concrete and most of the excess water is taken up by the mold itself, with a result much different from that obtained when an equally wet mix is cast in a tight mold of wood, steel, or plaster.

157. Consistency.—While the study of concrete has led the industry through dry mixes which must be tamped and wet mixes which must be puddled, it is now well established that Portland cement requires a definite quantity of water to effect its hydration, and that the use of water in that quantity, other factors remaining equal, gives a product of maximum strength and density. It has been shown by plotting the results of using various percentages of water that the quality of the concrete falls off very rapidly on both sides of the peak of the curve.

The best tamped product will show web-like water markings when released from the mold in which it has been compacted. The ideal consistency would cause the concrete to sag slightly when released from the mold. The use of such a mix is impracticable with equipment which requires the immediate release of the product from the mold. The nearest approach to the ideal mix is probably attained in the use of the "stripper" machines, and in the use of machines where the concrete is shaped under pressure with no horizontal webs to break down over the arches. A very few manufacturers cast trim stone in special wood molds using a mixture of practically ideal consistency and with no attempt to remove the mold from the product until several hours after placing. The ordinary dry-tamp and ordinary wet-cast concrete generally

used in block and stone manufacture, are both wrong—they depart from the ideal in opposite directions, but for a choice between them it is probably "six of one and half a dozen of the other." The tamped product will be improved when the manufacturer sees to it that a maximum amount of water is used, the wet cast product will be improved by an insistence upon a minimum of water.

Careful workmanship will admit of using more water in tamped concrete, even with equipment least adapted by mechanical limitations to the work. The deficiency of water will be less disastrous when the finished product is hurried to curing rooms—to atmospheric conditions which prevent the concrete, already deficient in water, from losing by evaporation any of the moisture it contains, so that all that moisture may be utilized in hydrating the cement.

The tamped product will be improved by the perfection of equipment so that a wetter mix may be employed. This may be along the line of so-called "stripper" machines, the units standing with webs and cores vertical. Such equipment now available produces only plain units—none with a special facing mixture. Tamped products will undoubtedly be improved by tamping the concrete in thinner layers than does most available equipment, and by a combination of tamping and pressing over the whole surface so that the tamper bars will not churn and displace more than they compress.

The wet cast product can be improved by less water and by more thorough mixing. Longer and more thorough mixing produces a mixture more easily placed than one with an excess of water and inadequate mixing. The rule should be: *subtract* water and *add* mixing. Within certain limits the same plasticity, the same flowing quality, can be obtained with less water. An excess of water and inadequate mixing frequently give a concrete in which the ingredients separate—water and cement separating from the sand and stone.

The smoothest flowing concrete in the products field is necessary in the manufacture of concrete stone cast in sand molds. The writer has observed in the last few years a marked tendency among manufacturers of such stone to use a concrete with far less excess water.

It is common to let the drum of the mixer turn for a minimum of 5 min; and then to transfer the batch to a mechanical agitator (which is really another mixer) suspended from a crane, which moves about the casting room where the sand molds are filled. The batch or a portion of it is frequently mixed continuously for 15 to 20 min. before being deposited. The concrete so mixed is almost fluid, but extremely homogeneous, excess water being at a minimum and almost unobservable. When poured, ½-in. stone does not settle, but remains in suspension and but little water comes to the top. When poured into molds it flattens out on top slowly and smoothly and not in a soupy rush. In spite of progress in the use of less water in necessarily wet concrete, it should be realized that this is *not* the ideal mix.

Good building units, suitable for creditable construction and showing qualities under tests for both strength and absorption which are satisfactory under rigorous building regulations, can be made and are made with each one of the three types of equipment,—tamping, pressure, and wet-cast.

158. Standard Concrete Stone Units.—Concrete block as usually made in standard machine or multiple mold equipment are usually from 8 to 12 in. thick, 8 to 12 in. high, and 16 to 32 in. long. The 8 × 8 × 16-in. block are the most common. Blocks that are 24 in. long are probably the most popular with the architects. Practically all the machines in common use making building block, turn out products that have one or more hollow spaces. The value of the hollow space lies in the fact that it economizes material, giving a product of much less weight than would be possible if made solid, and in the fact that it provides, as laid up in the wall, a series of air ducts which are valuable as insulation against temperature changes and as a barrier to the passage of moisture from one side of the wall to the other. A chief point of difference among the scores of block machines on the market is in the way in which these air spaces are provided, and in general it may be said that that block is best which comes nearest to supplying a continuous air space, yet with a reservation in this respect: that the strength of the individual unit and the stability of a wall are features of more consequence than air space and not to be sacrificed in any event.

With this idea of the value of air space, machines are on the market which produce concrete block in which each wall unit is made up of two separate pieces of concrete connected by metal ties. This type has been criticised from an engineering standpoint, because it is said that the metal ties are likely to rust out and leave no bond between the two parts of the wall. As opposed to this theory, however, many buildings have been in use for a sufficient number of years to give this type of block construction a reasonably good standing, and the success of this type would undoubtedly depend in great measure upon the tendency of the particular block manufacturer to make a block which would not absorb moisture and pass it through to the air space to the metal ties.

Going still further in the development of the idea of air space in the wall, machinery is available to produce so-called two-piece block to be laid up in a wall in such a way as to produce a maximum of air space and yet with systematic bond of concrete between the two faces of the wall. A two-lug block is made for light construction, the face of the block being but 2 to 3 in. thick, with projecting lugs giving a total wall thickness of 8 in. Furring is done on the lugs. Blocks are also made which have a triple series of air spaces, the central series for grouting and reinforcing, so that a grid is formed as the blocks are laid up (without mortar).

In addition there are structural tile—light, thin-walled, hollow units, which are manufactured rapidly on power equipment for exterior wall construction, where a veneer of stucco or some other facing is to be used, and for interior partitions to be plastered, or for exposed walls when surface texture or design is not of consequence. It is manufactured in a small unit and in various multiples of that unit. One machine involves the use of knives and plungers which cut the partially molded concrete and force out the center, compressing the walls of the tile. Another type of machinery for the manufacture of structural tile uses a very wet mix. The tile are made vertically and the molds of the machine are steam heated, thus securing an acceleration of setting in the cement.

Brick manufacture is a line which should show strong development in any field to which clay brick have to be shipped, or in *any* location, providing the manufacturer chooses to develop his product as a facing material with architectural appeal.

Aggressive promotional work of manufacturers of roof tile making equipment and the initial success of some new roof tile factories have aroused an interest in this product.

Concrete roofing tile are not a new factor in the concrete products field. Instances of their successful manufacture and satisfactory use have been noted in the technical press from time to time for 10 yr. or more.

159. Materials.—Any standard Portland cement is suitable. Some manufacturers insist upon a particularly well-aged cement and buy from those manufacturers whom they believe send out a cement of that character. This is because surface shrinkage of hardened products with resulting checking in fine hair cracks is believed to be induced by the use of "hot" cement. Various brands of cement are sometimes preferred for the sake of color, as some cements give an almost white product while others are of a dark slate color.

Aggregate, besides conforming to the usual specifications as to cleanness, hardness, and character of grading, is more strictly limited as to maximum size than in the usual field work. This is true not only because aggregate should not be larger than one-half the smallest section of the product, but the size is further limited by the molding processes, large aggregates showing a tendency to fall out of fresh products by the tamp process and a tendency to excessive segregation in the wetter mixes. In addition, aggregate is chosen for its surface color and texture value in products subjected to any special surface treatment where the aggregate is exposed by removal of the covering film of cement.

160. Trim Stone and Ornamental Work from Special Molds.—The manufacture of trim stone or architectural stone and ornamental objects used in connection with building construction or as garden appurtenances to residential architecture is a separate and distinct field of work from that involved in making standard building units of any one of the various block types.

The two operations are frequently carried along together under the same roof, but one department of the enterprise usually dominates the other.

The architect or other prospective user of concrete architectural stone, will find, if he looks very far into the matter of its production, that there can scarcely be said to be a standard product. In various localities, from various factories the range of quality is very wide. The character of the product varies from concrete trim stone of the very highest quality, not infrequently specified for work of a character which it was once thought could be maintained only with marble or granite, to the dullest and most uninteresting building units imaginable. The variation is not merely in appearance but is to be found in the structural quality of the stone—some of it very dense, hard, and with the cleanest, sharpest arises and other products porous, sugary, and ragged at the edges.

It is not therefore enough to accept perhaps the lowest of a number of competitive bids. If the prospective user has not seen plenty of evidence of the character of the work of the manufacturer whose products he proposes using, he will do well to look into the manufacturer's factory, find out something of his methods, of his equipment, and the experience he has had in work of a like character. Big jobs of trim stone production have been let to manufacturers who meant well enough but who were utterly lacking in experience or equipment to produce dimensional casts where the details are intricate.

The experienced manufacturer of concrete trim stone turns out products from molds of wood, metal, plaster, or gelatine as the special problem indicates and this is true even in large factories where the bulk of the production is from sand molds.

161. Surfaces.—The architectural surface qualities of concrete stone have been highly developed but they have not been generally developed. The dead, pasty gray of the ordinary

concrete block has been a great drawback to the adoption of the whole field of concrete building units.

It has been assumed and perhaps rightly so, that the common type of concrete building unit was thoroughly representative of the possibilities with the material. Yet there are manufactures producing standard concrete block units with good surface values in both color and texture. They are, however, in the minority.

When architects appreciate fully what is possible in the surface treatment of concrete—as an increasing number of architects are coming to appreciate through the highly developed

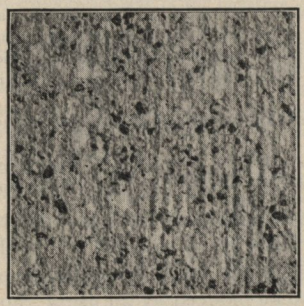


FIG. 56.—An example of fine textured concrete surface obtained by cutting.



FIG. 57.—Machine-made concrete block with coarse limestone—no facing mixture and very little sand and cement.

quality of products in some localities—they will be more keenly aware that it is only for them to specify.

With a world of special aggregates obtainable from which the architect may draw for any kind of color scheme and with numerous methods available for practical use for exposing these aggregates in the face of concrete products, concrete stone has a promising future, due to one feature alone—the feature of absolute control in manufacture.

The surfaces of wet cast stone as it comes from the molds is more pasty and less attractive ordinarily than the surface of products made with a much drier mix and tamped in the molds.



FIG. 58.—A cut concrete stone surface.



FIG. 59.—Tooled surface of concrete trim stone.

This does not apply where special methods are followed to secure a facing of special aggregate that is placed dry and held by the wetter mix put in behind. This is accomplished in the manufacture of wet-cast block in multiple molds when the face plates are coated with glue and covered with a crushed special aggregate and allowed to dry before the mold is filled with the wet backing, which in turn loosens the glue and grips the dry uncoated facing.

Concrete stone made in sand molds must at least be well cleaned up after hardening, as parts of the sand mold are found here and there cemented to the stone. The very least in the way of surface treatment given such products is a thorough rasping and usually a rubbing with an abrasive material.

All exposed surfaces of most high-grade sand cast stone are cut, revealing the aggregate. Stone cutters are employed for the finishing work, using hand or pneumatic tools, bush hammers, picks, etc. Stone with plain flat surfaces are handled by machinery and planed down or cut in fine parallel grooves by revolving discs of carborundum.

Where the aggregate has been graded so as to cover a large percentage of the surface, concrete stone is successfully polished and given a fine gloss by the same methods of grinding, sanding, and rubbing as are used in the natural stone industry in finishing marble and granite. It must, of course, be considered that it is the stone in the surface that takes the polish and not the cement, so that the success of the result depends a great deal upon the care that has been exercised in getting a mix that will give a high percentage of stone surface.

Most of the high quality stone manufactured by the sand molding method is of the same mixture throughout, but by far the greater portion of concrete trim stone is made by the tamp method and is faced with one mixture and backed up with another. In such work the quantity of special aggregate is relatively small and there are great possibilities for very beautiful effects at a small increase in cost.

Facings as most commonly used are mixtures of gray or white cement with fine sand, either white, buff, or yellow, or with fine crushed marble. Most of the surfaces are smooth in mixtures of one part cement to 2, 2½, or 3 parts of fine aggregate. Color is sometimes obtained in the mortar binding the aggregates by the use of mineral color with the cement in small quantities. Such facing mixtures can be vastly improved in two ways: (1) By using coarser facing aggregates to give more rugged texture, more the effect of a material made by binding together with cement a composite product of natural stone; and (2) by such a treatment of resulting surface as will expose aggregates to view.

Most concrete stone has been of cement color and there is no good reason why it should be. The cement is merely a binder, a mineral glue. The beauty lies in the particles which are bound together. The cement may be removed from the exposed surfaces in sereral ways. One way is to spray tamped products with water when they are first removed from the molds, using a nozzle giving a fine diffused mist, applied however with some force—usually with a pressure of about 40 lb. Care must be exercised not to wash out too much cement and not to leave the face streaked. Some manufacturers do the spraying with the product lying face up on its pallet and others turn the block so that the face is vertical. The former is probably the better way since it has a tendency to drive the cement which is washed off, into the stone, where with the additional water of the spray, a denser matrix is formed for the exposed aggregate.

Another surface treatment is in brushing when the product is from 6 to 24 hr. old, depending upon curing conditions and consequent rapidity of hardening. Experience alone will determine in particular cases the proper time to brush the surface cement away and expose the aggregate to best advantage without dislodging aggregate, and at the same time accomplish the desired result most economically. Brushing may be done with stiff fiber brushes, or with brushes made by clamping together small sheets of wire netting. Much depends upon the character of the face to be brushed. Plenty of water is used while the brushing is in progress. Satisfactory results are more apt to be obtained with rather coarse facing mixtures in which a minimum of sand is used. In other words, only enough mortar should be used in the facing mixture to bind the aggregates, which may vary from fine sand-like particles to pieces of 1-in. size. Many different effects are obtainable with only a small variety of facing aggregates by using different gradings and blendings and combining colors in different sizes. For such work it is not necessary in many cases to go far afield for a facing material. Local stone, crushed, screened, and graded will give excellent results and at the same time lend to the products the advantage of local colorings and characteristics.

Surfaces may be further cleaned and brightened by the use of a wash of commercial muriatic acid and water from 20 to 50% in strength depending upon the age of the concrete. The older and thicker the cement film, the harder the work the acid must do.

Acid is used a great deal in finishing fine ornamental work and where there are fine lines, care must be exercised that the acid does not eat too far. The action of the acid may be stopped at any time by the application of plenty of water.

162. Standards and Specifications.—Building regulations must always be on the side of materials having more strength than is necessary. Yet under some regulations to which concrete units are subjected there should undoubtedly be a new reckoning, a new starting place, and products should be graded according to their uses and in some relation to the requirements of other materials.

It is not paying any tribute to the qualities of properly made concrete products to require that their strength in compression shall be no more than 1000 lb. per sq. in. of net cross-sectional area. This means that an ordinary standard block, with a core or hollow area of 33⅓% shall withstand a compression of only 666⅔ lb. per sq. in. of gross area. Yet in actual building practice there should be recognition of the fact that with this comparatively low strength, there is an ample factor of safety in the construction of ordinary dwellings, even with 8-in. block only.

Yet it is unfair to the manufacturer of concrete units which withstand a compression of 2000 lb. per sq. in. of net area and vastly more unfair where products test as high as 4000 lb. per sq. in., to class all concrete units together in a regulation which fixes the standard by the value of the product with the lowest strength.

Manufacturers whose processes have been highly developed and whose factory efficiency has been built up to the exactions of high standards, should go very slowly in any organized effort to lower the standards of building requirements so that there is no recognition of high quality products.

While it is unquestionable that the highest standards of quality cannot be attained with equipment designed and utilized for the most rapid production for the lowest investment, it is also unquestionable that, even with machinery in its present state of development products *can* be made of vastly higher quality than the average product now made with such equipment.

Concrete block which will test at 1000 lb. per sq. in. in compression and show as high as 10 % of absorption, are good units—good for certain uses. In taking this stand there should be a full consideration of the present development of building construction with all materials available and generally recognized in the building material mrket. It is obviously an unfair discrimination to require that a concrete unit shall absorb no more than 7 % of its weight of moisture in 48 hr. immersion, because a like degree of density is not required of other materials.

Specifications for concrete building stone are given in Appendix *E*.

ARCHITECTURAL TERRA COTTA

By D. Knickerbacker Boyd

Architectural terra cotta is a burned clay product. Due largely to its being molded in a plastic state, it possesses qualities which give it distinctive character; and it should be used in such a way that its individuality will be expressed. By its use various surface treatments, such as modeling or decoration, texture, and color, may be procured and combined in one material. It is fire resistive throughout and its surface is practically non-absorbent. It is adaptable for face work or for trimmings in connection with masonry, steel, and concrete construction, and for ornamentation in connection with other materials.

163. Raw Materials.—In the manufacture of terra cotta, clays of a high quality must be used, and the proper selection and proportioning of these clays is of prime importance. Even though the same body is used for all the various colors, finishes, and surfaces, as is the practice in most terra cotta plants, it is nevertheless seldom that any one locality furnishes all the clays required for a first-class terra cotta body. A partial vitrification of this body is desirable, but a clay that is too fusible will warp badly in burning. To correct this tendency at least one of the clays should be a refractory (or fire) clay and to further insure straightness, about one-third of the mixture should be of ground burned clay.

164. Manufacturing Processes.—The clays, after being ground, are mixed with water and thoroughly tempered before being sent to the molding room. Architectural terra cotta is not a stock material. Every piece is made especially for the building in which it is to be used and is intended to occupy a certain particular place in that building. If several pieces of terra cotta of the same design, size, and shape are required, a shrinkage scale model of plaster and clay is made and from this a plaster mold is taken. When the molds are dry, the plastic clay is pressed into them by hand and when partially dry is removed.

Only one mold is required for all pieces of the same size and design and for this reason ornamentation in terra cotta, especially repeated ornament, is less expensive than with materials requiring separate cutting and carving for each individual piece. The use of the same mold for a large number of pieces would, perhaps, give a mechanical effect if each piece were not retouched after being removed from the mold. This retouching is done by the molder or carver if the work is of a decorative nature, or by the clay finisher if only truing up or undercutting is required.

In the case of ornamental work, if only one or two pieces are to be made of the same design and size, and no repetition is intended, the clay is modeled by hand into the required shape, and molds are not used. The models, whether molds are required or not, can be studied, improved, or modified before being burned. The architect sometimes examines the model in person and alterations are then made directly under his eye and sometimes photographs are made and sent to him for his criticisms.

After being removed from the molds, the product is carefully dried and the color applied. This is done by spraying on the exposed surfaces a thin "slip" or liquid mixture of a predetermined character, which, when burned, gives the desired color and surface finish.

The terra cotta is then burned in kilns at a temperature of about 2250 deg. F., where it remains from 7 to 15 days, according to the size of the kilns and the time required for cooling before removal. In the drying and burning

process, all water having been expelled, there is a consequent shrinkage in the size of the pieces—practically 1 in. in 1 ft.—allowance for which is made by a terra cotta draftsman who must necessarily redraw all architectural scale or full size details at what is known as the "shrinkage scale" of 13 in. to the foot.

165. Assembling.—Before shipping the terra cotta to the work, each piece is numbered and carefully fitted. The fitting operation consists in placing the various pieces in the relative positions which they would have in the building and then trimming the joints where necessary so that the pieces will all fit accurately together. By the use of a rubbing bed the joints may be rubbed to an absolutely straight line, in the same manner that stone is rubbed. The rubbing of the joints is a great advantage where absolute alignment of the pieces is especially desired, and is most frequently required for work in connection with entrances and lower

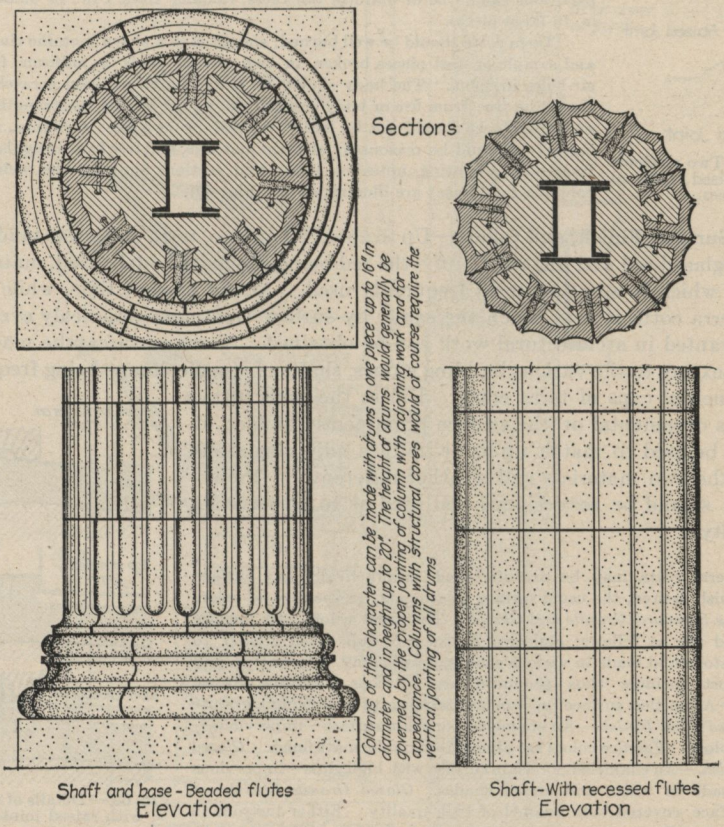


FIG. 60.—Examples of jointing in columns and bases. Notes on sizes of pieces.

stories. For work at a height of 30 ft. or more above grade, the rubbing of joints is usually regarded as an unnecessary expense. Rubbed joints should be uniformly true and not less than $\frac{1}{8}$ in. nor more than $\frac{3}{16}$ in. wide. Other joints should be carefully fitted and should not be less than $\frac{1}{4}$ in. nor more than $\frac{3}{8}$ in. wide.

The numbering operation consists in marking each piece to correspond with a number placed on the setting drawings, full and complete sets of which are furnished by the manufacturer. Setting drawings show the size of joints to be used for the various portions of the work and the position of each block in the building.

166. Protection in Shipping.—After numbering, the work is ready for delivery and is shipped to the building. In shipping terra cotta, each piece should be carefully packed in hay or straw; and ornamental or projecting members should in addition be protected by boxing or crating. The same care should be exercised if the material is stored at the site.

167. Sizes and Characteristics.—Terra cotta is usually made in blocks 24 to 30 in. long and of a height less than this, the exact height determined by the character of the work. Owing to the tendency of large clay products to warp in burning, extremely large blocks are difficult to obtain in true alignment of surface. All pieces should be of sufficient depth to properly tie into the backing. About 4 in. is required for ashlar work and for slight projections. For greater projections the block should be sufficiently deep to be self-supporting or should be properly secured by anchors.

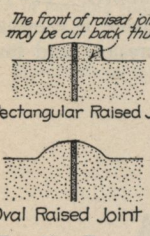


FIG. 61.—Two methods of making raised joints on sloping surfaces.

To save material and weight and to lessen the tendency to warping, blocks are formed of an outer shell connected and braced by partitions or webs. These webs are usually arranged so that the spaces do not exceed 6 in. The outside shells and the partitions should be of uniform thickness, ranging from 1 in. in small pieces to 1½ in. in large pieces.

Terra cotta should be well burned; should give a sharp metallic ring when struck; and sample or test pieces broken in two should show a uniform fracture and no air-holes in spots. The body should be hard enough to resist scratching with steel, should be free from fire or body cracks that would impair its strength or durability and the blocks should not be badly warped or twisted. Columns, cornices, moldings, etc., should be reasonably straight and true, and free from irregular or wavy lines. Examples of jointing, notes on sizes, and sections showing the webs in cylindrical columns (and base) are illustrated (see Fig. 60).

168. Surface, Finish, and Color.—Up to about 30 yr. ago, terra cotta was made in but two colors—unglazed red and unglazed buff—the red being the more widely used, matching the red brick with which it was then most frequently used. At the present time, while the body of all good terra cotta is very much the same, by surface treatment practicaly every color that could be wanted in architectural work can be obtained. Terra cotta can be made similar in color and texture to the various building stones, shafts of stone columns being frequently fitted with ornamental caps of terra cotta. Unless the terra cotta, however, is ornamental or the surface prominently molded, it should not be used to match up to or imitate adjoining stone work, for the two materials will weather differently. Preferably, each should be so designed and used as to preserve its own identity.

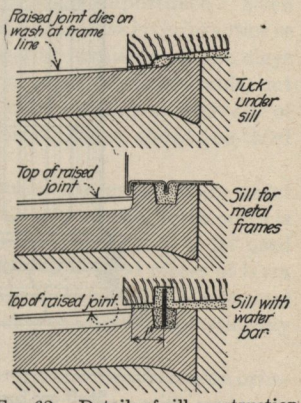


FIG. 62.—Details of sill construction with raised joints and fillets.

While terra cotta may be manufactured in practically any surface texture or finish desired, the usual surface treatments, irrespective of color, are known as *Standard*, *Granite* and *Glazed*. The usual colors and finishes manufactured are as follows: *Standard Finish.*—A dull finish similar to dressed limestone and made in various shades of buff, gray, salmon, red, and brown. Most surfaces thus produced are vitreous. *Granite Finish (Standard).*—A mottled surface on *standard* terra cotta producing a granite effect. *Glazed Matt Finish.*—An enameled porcelain surface—impervious—in various colors. Faience colors are almost invariably matt finish. *Glazed Lustrous Finish.*—An enameled porcelain surface with high gloss—impervious—usually made in white and cream shades. *Glazed Granite Finish.*—A mottled surface covered with enamel of high quality. Either lustrous (a polished granite effect) or matt.

The different colors and finishes increase in cost in the following order: (1) Standard finish, plain colors; (2) Standard finish, granites; (3) Glazed, mottled and granite effects; (4) Glazed, matt finish; (5) Glazed, lustrous finish; (6) Glazed, gold or silver; (7) Glazed, reds.

169. Washes, Flashings, Anchors, Hangers, Etc.—All sills, copings, washes inside of the wall line, and all washes more than 4 in. wide on projecting members should have raised filleted horizontal joints (see Fig. 61). Sills should have a raised fillet at the back to be let into a groove in the wooden sill or should have raglet for metal water bar (see Fig. 62). Ornamental work, where, on account of the character of the detail, pockets are formed in which snow or ice can collect, should be provided with holes or washes for drainage. Copings, sills, and projecting members generally should be provided with drips, and cornices with weep holes wherever necessary.

Wide flat washes in terra cotta, where it is impractical to use either a sufficiently steep

pitch for readily shedding the water or raised joints (including gutters), should be covered with copper flashing. Sufficient width of copper must be allowed for covering the entire width of the wash and with the back edge of the copper tucked into a joint or groove, properly located according to the particular case, so that there will be no possibility of seepage of water into the structure. This flashing method should be used in every case where the wash pitches inward toward the structure and stops against any superimposed work, such as walls of stories above, parapet balustrading, parapet walls, etc. In no case should gutter grades be formed in archi-

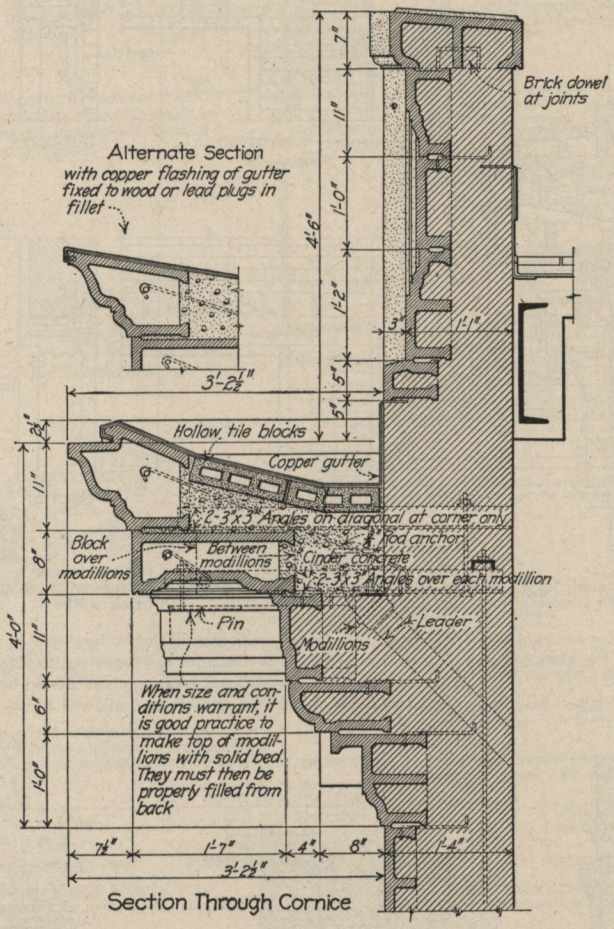


FIG. 63.—Modillion cornice with gutter showing method of support and anchorage, construction of gutter, etc.

tectural terra cota. Structural tile, cement, or concrete should be used to form the grade and this in turn covered with metal (see Fig. 63).

On most work the terra cotta contractor, before any manfacturing is done, submits to the architect, for his correction and written approval, carefully prepared shop drawings showing the jointing of all work, anchoring of projecting members, etc., and the engagement of the terra cotta with the masonry or steel work, and any unusual, difficult or special construction that may be required to be clearly shown. A typical example is illustrated (see Fig. 64).

Anchors for securing the terra cotta in place are furnished either by the terra cotta manufacturer or by the contractor for the erection of the work. If it is desired to include the furnishing of these anchors, bolts, etc., as a

part of the contract for setting, the manufacturer will furnish a schedule of the size and number of all anchors, clamps, dowels, hangers, brackets, and special work necessary to securely anchor the terra cotta to the masonry backing and to the structural frame, and to support any projecting pieces. This miscellaneous metal work can frequently be purchased in the local market more economically that it can be furnished by the terra cotta manufacturer. Provided that sufficiently detailed information can be given the bidders to enable them to accurately estimate the quantity of metal required, it is generally recommended that the furnishing of all anchors, ties, etc., be made a part of the contract for the setting of the work.

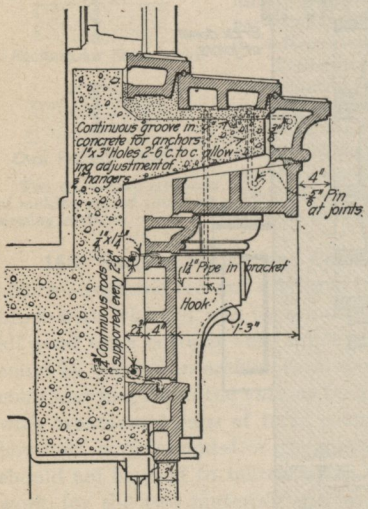


Fig. 64.—Section through lintel, cornice, and sill in connection with concrete construction.

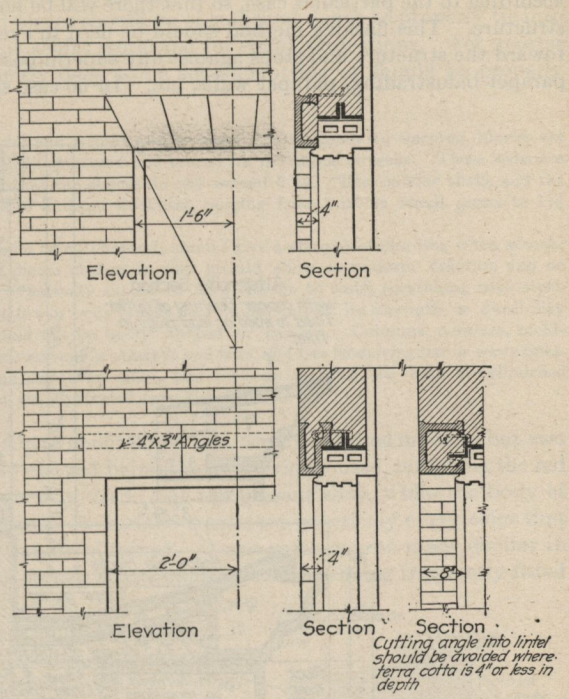


Fig. 65.—Elevations and sections of three simple types of lintels in brick walls.

The metal used for securing the terra cotta to the frame work should not be less than ¼ in. thick and hanger bolts and dowels not less than ½ in. in diameter, increasing the diameter in proportion to the weight of the pieces. Ashlar anchors should be ⅛ × 1 in. Wherever practical, all wall and strap anchors should be cut and bent on the scaffold. All metal work should be painted two coats of red lead and oil, and allowed to dry before using. Galvanizing makes anchors brittle and fills up the threads of bolts and adjustable anchors, thus necessitating rethreading and causing unnecessary delay.

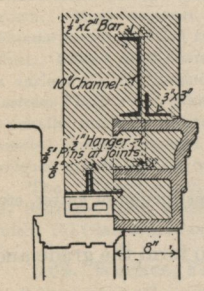


Fig. 66.—Section through plain soffit and molded lintel over window opening.

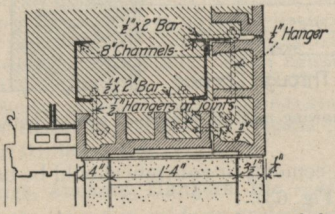


Fig. 67.—Section through paneled soffit and lintel forming part of terra cotta facing.

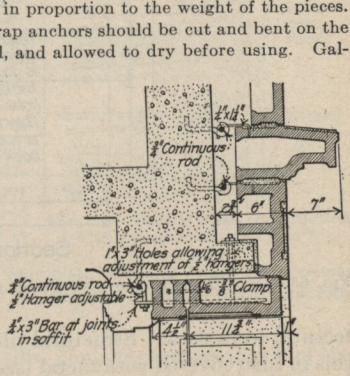


Fig. 68.—Section through paneled soffit and cornice serving as lintel.

In terra cotta, as in every other type of building construction, few features are of more importance than the methods of accomplishing tight results over openings in walls. Three illustrations are shown in Fig. 65 of the simplest typical lintel construction. Other types of soffits and lintels over openings, increasing in depth, ornamentation, or size and number of pieces, with each illustration, are shown in Figs. 66, 67 and 68.

170. Setting.—Terra cotta is usually set by the mason contractor. Where, however, the contract is large enough, good results can sometimes be obtained by having the manufacturer do the setting.

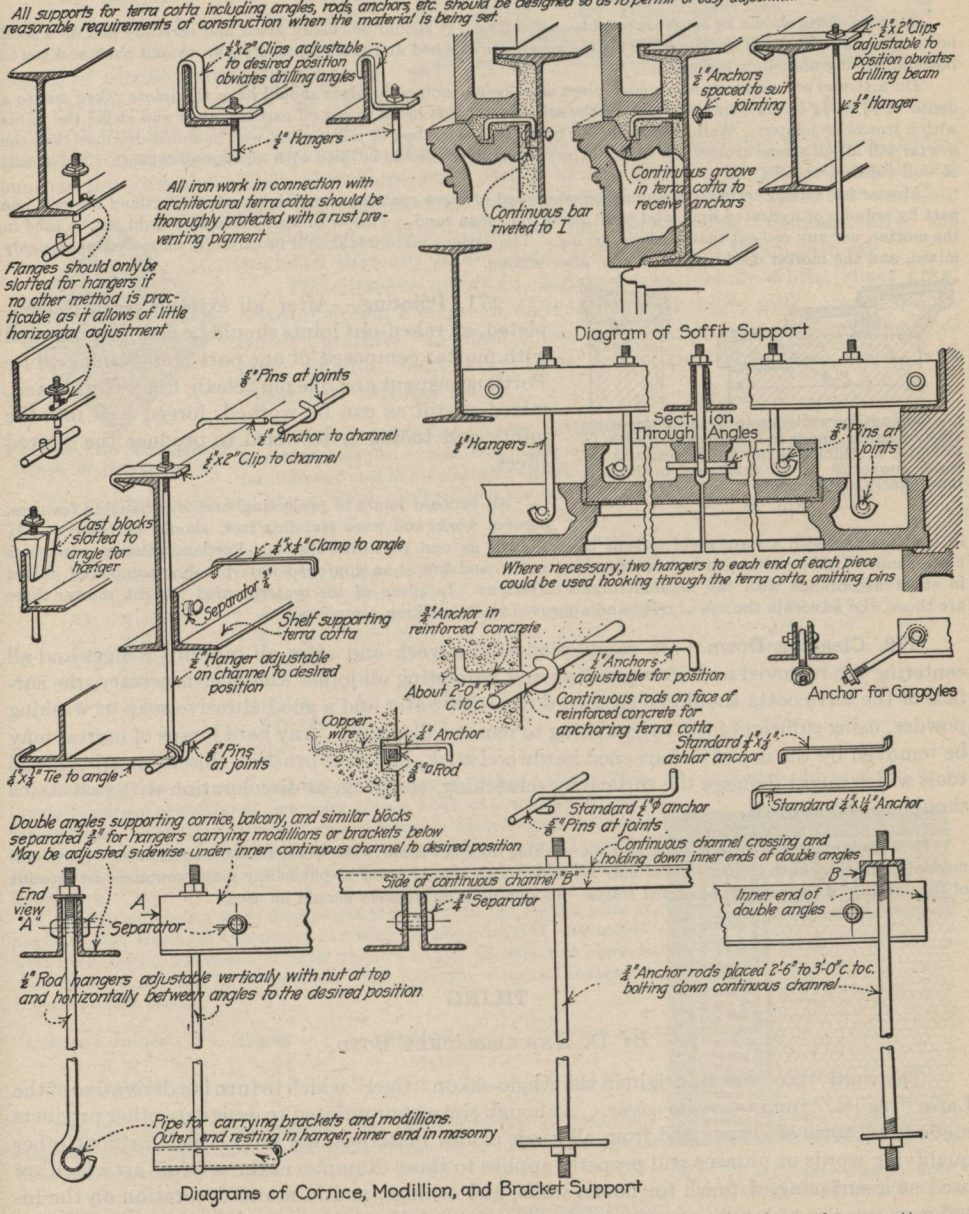


FIG. 69.—Details of iron anchors, hangers, straps, clips, etc. used, in setting architectural terra cotta.

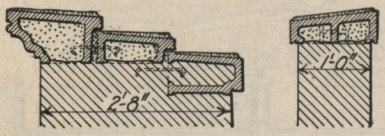
The terra cotta for the various portions of the work should be assembled at the building and the sizes checked off, as so to verify the joint allowance and to guard against variations which might have occurred in the frame work or superstructure of the building as thus far erected.

The work should be anchored to the backing and hung or secured to the structural frame as indicated on the setting drawings. Heavy projecting courses, whether supported by metal or not, should be well shored up from the exterior until the work on top of these courses is placed to a sufficient height.

All terra cotta should be set from outside scaffolding. It should be closely fitted and carefully laid on a solid bed of mortar. The mortar should fill all the rebates in the bed and cross joints from front and back and top to bottom, leaving no hollow spaces.

On first and second-story work, each piece after being tamped in place should have the joints raked out to a depth of ½ to ¾ in. for pointing. Above the second floor it is usual to cut off excess mortar and strike the joints with a trowel or jointer. Wall copings should be set in a thick bed of mortar and well pounded down so that the mortar will fill all spaces around the webs. The vertical joints should be filled with waterproof cement. For details of wall copings, see Fig. 70.

Mortar for setting terra cotta should be composed of three parts of non-staining white Portland cement, one part by volume of hydrated lime, and eight parts fine clean sand. Plaster of Paris, or salt, should not be used in the mortar, nor any cement that swells in drying. The various materials should be carefully measured, thoroughly mixed, and the mortar used within 30 min. after mixing.



Copings for walls up to 13 in. in thickness may be safely made in one piece, for walls 13 to 28 in. in thickness in two pieces, and for walls above 28 in. in thickness, in three or more pieces as required.

FIG. 70.

171. Pointing.—After all exterior work is completed, all raked-out joints should be carefully pointed with mortar composed of one part non-staining white Portland cement and one part clean, fine (white) sand, mixed as stiff as can be worked, forced well into the joints and tooled or troweled to produce the desired effect.

All exposed joints in projecting and overhanging features, parapet work, and work standing free, should be raked out ¾ in. and pointed with a waterproof cement mortar, such as one part non-staining Portland cement, two parts clean sand, 10% by volume of best quality lime putty, and 2% of an approved waterproofing compound, mixed in strict accordance with the manufacturer's directions. In place of the waterproofed cement mortar there are those who advocate the use of tried and approved elastic calking compounds.

172. Cleaning Down.—On completion of the work and after all mason's wedges and all centering are removed and after pointing and repointing all joints wherever necessary, the surface of the terra cotta should be cleaned down with water and a good abrasive soap or washing powder, using sufficient force in scrubbing to remove all stains. Any hard lumps of mortar may be removed by the use of a sharpened hardwood stick, but steel brushes, chisels, or other metal tools which might damage the surface by scratching, chipping, or discoloration with rust stains should not be allowed.

If "standard" terra cotta is used, and the washing does not remove the worst stains, a solution of 1 part commercial muriatic acid to 10 parts water may be used. This should never be put in any metal container on account of the liability of the acid forming rust stains—wooden pails or crockery should be used.

TILING

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The word "tile" has its origin in the Anglo-saxon "tigel" which in turn is a derivative of the Latin "tegula," from tego—to cover. Although since appropriated to designate other products made in all sorts of shapes and from all kinds of raw materials, the term "tile" without other qualifying words or phrases still properly applies to those examples of the ceramic art which are used as a surfacing or finish for floors, walls, and ceilings, and in mural decoration on the interior or exterior of buildings.

173. Manufacture of Tiles.—Tiles are made from different kinds of clays, feldspar, and flints obtained from domestic banks and quarries or imported from other countries. These raw materials undergo a variety of refining and mixing processes before they become suitable for forming or pressing into tiles. According to the process used, tile makers distinguish between

tiles made from the materials in the plastic state and those pressed by means of machinery from the pulverized and practically dry materials—the "dust". Thus, in the one case the tiles are "made plastic," in the other case they are "dust-pressed."

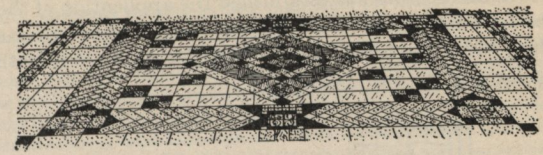


FIG. 71.—Illustrating decorative uses of floor tile.

174. Unglazed Tiles.—Unglazed tiles are produced in one firing which brings them direct to their ultimate degree of vitrification, color and surface texture. The colors in these unglazed tiles are produced either by the selection of clays that will burn to the desired color, or by the addition of certain oxides, such as the oxides of cobalt, chromium, etc. It lies in the nature of the raw materials and color ingredients that some of these tiles can be fired to complete vitrification, while others do not permit this. Consequently, the unglazed tiles are divided into "vitreous" and "semi-vitreous."



FIG. 72.—An example of inlaid, or encaustic tile.

The vitreous colors in unglazed tiles include white, silver gray, celadon, green, blue green, light blue, dark blue, pink, cream and so-called "granites" of these colors. The semi-vitreous colors comprise buff, salmon, light gray, dark gray, red, chocolate, black, and "granites" of these colors.

The trade terms flint, quarry, paving, esplanade, corrugated, hydraulic, chipped face tiles, ceramic mosaic, etc., designate the various kinds of unglazed tiles made for different uses and decorative effects.

The principal shapes and sizes in which unglazed tiles are manufactured are:

Square (inches)	Oblong		Octagon	Hexagon
9 × 9	9 × 4½	4¼ × 2⅛	6 × 6	6 × 5 3/16
6 × 6	9 × 3	4¼ × 1 5/16	4 ¼ × 4¼	4 ¼ × 3 1/16
4¼ × 4¼	6 × 4	3 × 1½	3 × 3	3 15/32 × 3
3 × 3	6 × 3	3 × 1		2 5/16 × 2
2⅛ × 2⅛	6 × 2	3 × ½	Triangle	6 × 3
1½ × 1½	6 × 1½	2⅛ × 1 1/16	3	4 ⅛ × 2⅛
1 1/16 × 1 1/16	6 × 1	1 1/16 × 17/32	1 47/64	
	6 × ¾		1 5/32	
	6 × ½			

Encaustic tiles is a term that strictly belongs to "inlaid" tiles. These are decorative tiles produced by inlaying a figure or ornament of one color into a body of a contrasting color before firing. They are vitreous or semi-vitreous according to the colors used. The word "encaustic" is frequently misapplied as a general term for tiles; it has, however, no descriptive significance except in connection with inlaid tiles.

Ceramic mosaic is a trade designation that refers to the smaller sizes of unglazed tile, which for expediency in setting are also marketed "mounted" with the face glued to sheets of paper about 1 × 2 ft. in size; this paper is removed after the tiles have been set. The following sizes and shapes are termed *ceramic mosaic*:

Square (inches)	Oblong	Round	Hexagon
¾ × ¾	1 × ½	1 3/16	1⅛ × 1
½ × ½			1¼ × 1 1/16

The thickness of these unglazed tiles varies with size and kind, the larger sizes and shapes having a thickness of from ½ to 1 in., while ceramic mosaics are usually ¼ in. thick.

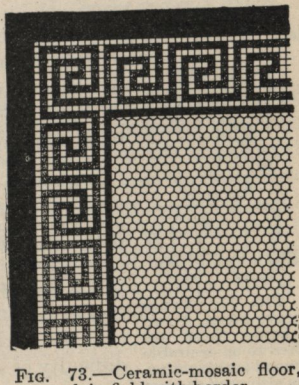


FIG. 73.—Ceramic-mosaic floor, plain field with border.

175. Glazed Tiles.—Glazed tiles are made from essentially the same materials and by the same processes as the unglazed tiles, except that they require two firings. The first firing produces the "biscuit," "bisque" or "body" made either plastic or by the dust-pressed method. This bisque is subsequently coated with the "glazing"

liquid, made from pulverized clay, feldspar, flint, and a flux. The bisques are then again placed in the kilns and subjected to high temperatures which unite glaze and bisque.

Trade custom has established the application of the word "glazed" as an exclusive designation for *white* glazed tiles, while the same kind of tiles in color are known by the term "enamels." Thus, the white tiles generally used for wainscot in bathrooms are "glazed" tiles, and tiles with a colored glaze are "enamels."

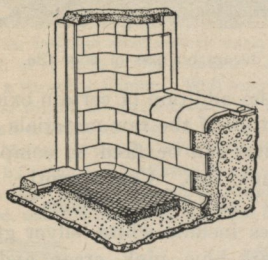


FIG. 74.—Rectangular glazed wall tile, round ceramic-mosaic floor tile, separate cove and "woven" combination tile at internal angle and at window.

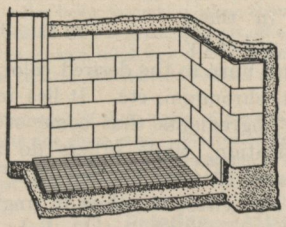


FIG. 75.—Illustrating tile door trim and plinth, with cove on floor. Combination tile is most desirable to be used with wood construction.

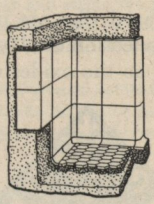


FIG. 76.—Square glaz wall tile, octagonal vitreous floor tile, separate cove at floor, and at internal angle. Quarter round at corner.

The range of colors and tints in enamels is practically unlimited and the textures are of the greatest variety. Virtually any color can be procured in enamels. Moreover they are made "plain" or "mottled" in one or more colors.

Both glazed tiles and enamels are produced in bright, matt, and semi-matt or dull finish; that is to say, the bright have a surface of high gloss, the matt are entirely devoid of gloss, and the semi-matt or dull finish applies to all finishes intermediate between these extremes.

Glazed tiles and enamels are made in the following regular sizes and shapes:

Square (inches)	Oblong		Hexagon
6 × 6	9 × 6	4¼ × 2⅛	3 × 3 15/32
4¼ × 4¼	9 × 4½	3 × 1½	2 × 2 5/16
3 × 3	9 × 3	3 × 1	2 5/16 × 2 21/32
2⅛ × 2⅛	6 × 3	3 × ½	
1½ × 1½	6 × 2	3 × ¼	
1 1/16 × 1 1/16	6 × 1½	2⅛ × 1 1/16	
¾ × ¾	6 × 1		Octagon
½ × ½	6 × ¾		3 × 3
	6 × ½		

176. Trim Tiles.—For use as bases, caps, corners, moldings, door and window trim, etc., certain shaped tiles are made to match the unglazed or glazed field or body of tilework, which are designated by the terms *trim* or *trimmers*. The range of shapes obtainable in these trimmers is quite extensive and meets any utilitarian or decorative demand.

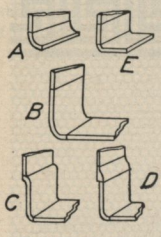


FIG. 77.—Types of cove bases, A and E being those referred to as desirable in wood construction. A is also used as cove in internal angles.

The term *faience* is applied to comparatively rough glazed tiles made plastic and glazed with enamels of various textures. Any special design or color effect can be carried out in faience and it is especially adapted to the decorative treatment of interior and exterior wall surfaces.

177. Grades of Tile.—Tiles are not manufactured in predetermined grades or qualities. The object of the makers is to produce but one grade, i.e., the highest quality. But due to limitations in the processes and the difficulty of absolute control in firing conditions, certain variations in shades, sizes, etc., take place which are inherent to tile manufacture. The tile makers therefore sort the tiles after they come from the kilns into different grades which experience has established as expedient. With respect to wearing and sanitary qualities no difference exists in these tiles, and appearance, size, warpage, surface blemishes, etc., alone are the basis for the sorting.

The white glazed wall tiles are graded and marketed in three grades or qualities—viz., "selected," "standard," and "commercial"—and each grade has its legitimate uses. As the term implies, the standard grade is the one used in the general run of work, such as in barber shops, cafeterias, hotels and apartment house bath rooms, moderate priced residences, etc. This grade practically represents the tiles as they come from the kiln, sorted however for uniformity in size. For the selected and commercial qualities, the tiles, as they come from the kilns, are divided into two grades. The tiles that are as nearly perfect as is possible to manufacture are chosen and marketed as "selected" for use in the finest classes of tilework, such as in high class residential work, operating rooms in hospitals, etc., while the remainder are offered as the "commercial" grade. This commercial grade finds extensive use where economy, service, sanitation, and light reflecting qualities are required and where manufacturing blemishes are of secondary importance, such as in manufacturing establishments, basement toilets, linings of shafts, etc.

The enamels, vitreous tiles, and ceramic mosaic are marketed in two grades—viz., selected and commercial—and the semi-vitreous tiles in one grade only, selected.

178. Crazing.—In former years some manufacturers were occasionally willing to guarantee glazed or enamel tiles against crazing and some specifications even today call for tiles to be guaranteed non-crazing. This however, is no longer done by any of the large producers who are bound to recognize the limitations of the ceramic art and realize that crazing (or crackling) of any glazed surface cannot be absolutely guarded against.

One of the causes of the phenomena known as crazing is considered to be the slightest kind of a difference in the coefficients of expansion between the materials comprising the body and those of the glaze, which most frequently does not manifest itself until after the tile are laid. This may or may not assert itself until years after the tile are laid and sometimes will occur where the sun shines on the tile or in the proximity of radiators, while not appearing elsewhere in the same piece of work.

The foregoing remarks refer principally to bright glaze finishes on any tile. In the finest decorative tiles, in faience, and in other finishes, the craze, like that of the surface effect produced by the crackled finish of the finest ceramic work, is regarded with favor.

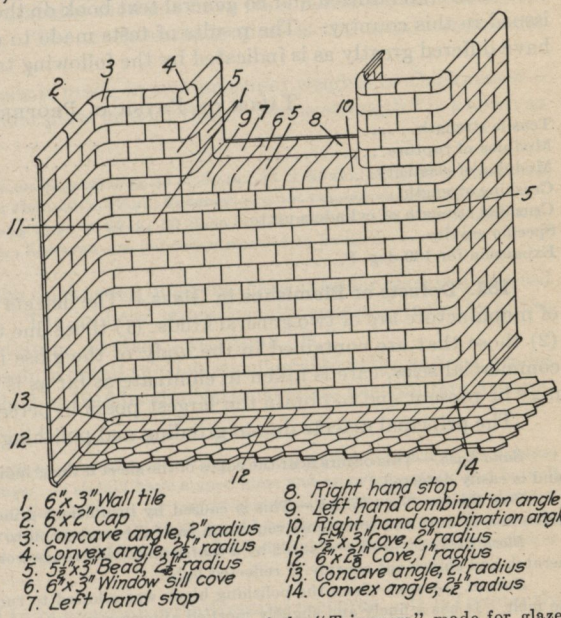


FIG. 78.—Illustrating some of the "Trimmers" made for glazed wall tile, with key numbers.

179. Setting of Tile.—Particular attention should be paid to the methods employed to overcome shrinkage of woodwork when bathrooms or other places are to be tiled in buildings of frame construction—or in any type of building with wood joists. Interior partitions should be located over those below and, where this is not possible, steel beams should be used to support the partitions surrounding bath rooms or other tile places so that no greater shrinkage will occur than at the outside walls. With such construction, lighter weight joists may be used, especially under the tile floors, assuring better seasoning and less shrinkage as well. In addition to insuring the tile work against the effects of settlement, this type of construction, through saving of labor in doubling trimmers and headers, bevelling of joists, cutting in floor boards, etc., will be found to have its economies, compensating for the increase due to the introduction of steel in place of wood where indicated.

In the case of wood construction it is recommended that coves at floor angles be in the form of combination tile on the floor tile and not on the wall tiles; also, that internal corners, if cove, be made either with separate coves or with straight joints on the combination tiles. The latter should not be alternated or woven in wood construction as any settlement or shrinkage will break the tile. These precautions do not of course apply in the case of fire resistive construction where floors and partitions are of concrete, hollow tile, or masonry, or encased steel construction. In these types of construction full range of choice in the "tile trim" may be resorted to.

Recommendations as to various types of construction are to be found in the "Standard Methods for Setting Tilework" as published by the Associated Tile Manufacturers, Beaver Falls, Pa.

GLASS AND GLAZING

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180. Raw Materials.—The principal raw materials used in the manufacture of glass for general glazing purposes are: silica (white sand), lime (limestone), soda (soda-ash), charcoal, cullet (broken glass), a small quantity of alumina bearing material, and possibly decolorizing agents. These are mixed in large earthenware pots and fused at a temperature of about 3000 deg. F.

181. Physical Properties of Glass.—The composition and physical properties of glass are widely variable, not only in different varieties of glass, but also in different makes of the same type or kind of glass. Neither the mixing formulas nor the conditions of manufacture have ever been standardized and no general text book on the selection of grades or materials has been issued in this country. The results of tests made to determine the physical qualities of glass have differed greatly as is indicated by the following table:

Table of Physical Properties of Glass

Tensile strength	2,000 to 10,000 lb. per sq. in.
Modulus of rupture	3,000 to 4,000 lb. per sq. in.
Modulus of elasticity	10,000,000 to 11,000,000 lb. per sq. in.
Crushing strength	6,000 to 20,000 lb. per sq. in.
Crushing strength of cylinders up to	39,000 lb. per sq. in.
Specific gravity	2.4 to 4.5
Expansion for 180 deg. F.	$\frac{1}{8}$ in. in 12.13 to 12.81 lin. ft

182. Defects or Blemishes in Glass.—The defects to which glass is subject in the process of manufacture are of two general kinds: (1) those due to imperfect polishing and grinding, and (2) those that are contained in the body of the glass itself. In cutting the large sheets into commercial sizes, care is taken to eliminate as far as is practical any defects or blemishes that may be present and to obtain the largest possible percentage of the better grades of the glass.

The principal defects due to grinding and polishing are as follows:

Sand Lash.—This occurs near the edges of the sheet if the grinding block runs off. It is a collection of scratches and is easily detected.

Grey Spot or Short Finish.—This is caused by insufficient grinding or polishing. It has the appearance of a collection of dust and sometimes requires a careful examination to detect.

Block Reeks or Sleeks.—Caused by a coarse particle of rouge working under the polishing block. It is a smooth scratch and shines out sharply in reflected light.

Burned.—A spot where the polishing block was allowed to run dry thereby causing the surface film to start to melt. It has a finely and slightly mottled appearance on the surface but not in color.

The following are the principal defects which may be contained in the body of the glass:

Bubbles.—The name describes this defect.

Seed.—Fine bubbles.

Ream.—A defect the cause of which is difficult to determine. It results in a distorted image when looking at an object at an angle.

Waves.—An undulation of the surface. Owing to the method of manufacture, these can not be entirely avoided in cylinder glass.

Stone.—A particle of unfused material embedded in the glass. This is one of the most serious defects to which glass is subject as it makes a point of high local stress and is very likely to cause the glass to crack.

String.—An irregular shining streak made by the passage of a small "stone" during the manufacture of the sheet.

183. American and Foreign Glass.—Practically all glass now on the market, and used in connection with building, is produced in America and the following data are intended to cover the manufacture, qualities, and sizes of the various domestic glasses in general use only.

184. Grading.—In the manufacture of glass only one product is aimed for and the various grades or qualities are the results of selections made in the effort to separate those sheets which are nearest perfect from those which contain some of the blemishes inherent in the process of manufacture.

In this process of selection and separation, the personal equation enters to a considerable extent, the grade being determined largely by the general appearance of the sheet. Thus a small defect or blemish might be permitted in a large light and be the cause for rejection if occurring in a small light. For this reason small size samples seldom correctly indicate the quality of the glass proposed to be furnished.

It is sometimes very difficult to determine in what grade a particular sheet of glass should belong, and for this reason it is not infrequent that a lower grade than the grade specified is substituted. This is especially true in the case of the "AA" grade.

185. Cylinder or Window Glass.—This is the common commercial "window glass." It is more or less wavy in appearance, usually has a slight bulge, and varies widely in composition and quality.

185*a*. Manufacture.—It is made by blowing the molten glass into a cylindrical shape and then cutting, heating, flattening out, and annealing. Formerly all glass of this type was hand made, but during recent years machine methods have been perfected and the hand-made glass has largely been supplanted. The machine-made glass is the usual commercial "window glass."

185*b*. Sizes.—Cylinder glass is made in two principal weights or thicknesses—*single strength* and *double strength*. Cylinder glass heavier than "double strength" is known as *crystal sheet glass*.

"Double Strength" glass may be obtained in as large sizes as 30 × 90 in., 38 × 86 in., 48 × 80 in., and even in extreme sizes containing 25 sq. ft. Sizes larger than 40 × 48 in., however, are not recommended for use.

"Single Strength" glass can be made in sizes up to 24 × 60 in., 30 × 54 in., 36 × 50 in., and even to sizes containing 12½ sq. ft. Sizes larger than 24 × 30 in., however, are not recommended to be used.

185*c*. Grades.—Each of the thicknesses or strengths of cylinder glass is marketed in three grades: "AA," "A," and "B." The jobbers' stocks usually consist principally of the "A" and "B" grades, the "A" grade containing all glass better than "B."

While it is not possible to give in absolute detail the defects allowable in the various grades of glass, the following description, published in 1916 by the National Glass Distributers Association will aid in determining the quality:

"AA" or First Quality.—"AA" quality should be clear glass, free from any perceptible amount of air bubbles or blisters, burnt specks or burns, cords and strings. It should have a good gloss and an even surface, and be well flattened. By air bubbles it is understood that tiny bubbles, or imperfections not perceptible on the cutters' table, but detectable when placing the sheet directly towards the light, would not be objectionable. This should be a careful selection in both single and double, and should represent the best that can be produced in window glass by the present methods.

This grade of glass is largely used in connection with framing pictures. It is frequently difficult to obtain in sufficiently large quantities for general glazing purposes and for this reason should be sparingly and specifically called for.

"A" or Second Quality.—"A" glass is the normal selection of glass when no special selection is desired or specified, and it admits of such defects as small strings or lines, or small blisters when not too close to one another or located in the center of the sheet. The glass should be well flattened, the surface even, and devoid of noticeable scratches, cropper marks, burns, and other prominent defects.

The production of glass which grades to this sorting is sufficiently large to meet the general demands for glazing, and is suitable for building requirements where a good grade of cylinder glass is wanted.

"B" or Third Quality.—"B" glass covers a wider range than either "AA" or "A" quality. It permits of many of the defects inherent to the process of making, such as waves, strings, lines, blisters, scratches, burns, and other similar or equivalent defects. This quality embraces everything below "A" quality, not stony or full of blisters or other large defects objectionable for any common purpose, such as heavy scratches, heavy blisters, cords and sulphur stains.

This quality of glass is suitable for use in mills, factories, the cheapest class of residences, basements of buildings, and work or locations of a similar character.

185d. Crystal or Special Sheet Glass.—This is a blown cylinder glass similar to the "double strength" glass but thicker. It is not to be confused with "crystal plate" glass. "Crystal sheet" glass is designed for use where a stronger or larger size is required than is recommended with "double strength" and where a less expensive glass than plate glass is desired.

"Crystal sheet" glass is graded as "first," "second," and "third" quality by the same rules as cylinder glass, and can be obtained in 26, 29, 34, and 39 oz. weight per sq. ft.

WEIGHTS AND THICKNESSES OF CYLINDER GLASS

Kind of glass	Weight per sq. ft. (ounces)	Average thickness (inches)
Single Strength	14 to 16	1/12
Double Strength	19 to 21	1/8
Crystal 26 oz	25 to 27	3/15
Crystal 29 oz	29 to 31	9/64
Crystal 34 oz	33 to 35	5/32
Crystal 39 oz	37 to 39	3/16

186. Polished Plate Glass.

186a. Manufacture.—The raw materials from which plate glass is made are virtually the same as used for cylinder glass, but the method of manufacture is entirely different and greater care is taken in the selection and purification of the ingredients.

The various ingredients are melted in a large earthenware pot, are then poured on a flat iron table and a heavy iron roller quickly passed over it, leaving a plate of glass of the required thickness. This plate is then annealed and forms what is known as *rough plate glass.* It is unevenly fire polished on one side and rough on the other. In this form it is sometimes used for vault and floor lights, skylights, etc.

Rough rolled or *half polished plate* is rough plate ground and polished on the smooth or fire polished side only.

For polished plate glass the rough plate is secured to a revolving table and the surface of the glass ground down with fine sand and rollers. After the grinding has been completed the plate is removed to another table where by means of felt blocks and rouge or iron peroxide the surface of the glass is polished.

During the grinding and polishing the rough plate loses from 40 to 50% in weight and the method of manufacture is such that there is usually a slight variation in the thickness of the finished sheets, especially in the large sizes.

186b. Grading.—While no generally accepted standards have been established to determine the dividing line between the various grades of plate glass, the manufacturer grades and lists his stock as follows: (1) First silvering, (2) second silvering, (3) selected glazing, (4) glazing, (5) second glazing, and (6) skylight.

The *silvering* qualities are as nearly perfect as it is practical to manufacture, and are used for making the best class of mirrors. The *selected glazing* quality is almost free from blemishes and is used for special windows, glazing in high class residences, show cases, and sometimes for mirrors. The *glazing* quality may contain a few small bubbles, fine scratches, etc., not however in sufficient quantity to impair its durability or value for ordinary use. This is the usual commercial grade of polished plate glass used for glazing show windows, sash, doors, etc. The *second* quality glazing permits of more defects than the glazing quality but may be used for unimportant work. The *skylight* quality permits the inclusion of defects that would preclude its use for general glazing purposes.

It is seldom necessary to specify other than "glazing" quality of polished plate glass of the standard thickness for all general glazing purposes, and "silvering" quality of polished plate glass and thickness for all mirrors. French plate glass mirrors, except small hand mirrors, have not been on this market in commercial quantities for a number of years, and if actually required would in all probability have to be specially imported.

186c. Size and Thickness.—Plate glass is manufactured in extreme sizes up to 250 sq. ft. with dimensions such as the following: 120 × 262 in., 144 × 240 in., 156 × 228 in. These extreme sizes, however, are difficult to make, are expensive, are dangerous to handle, and are not recommended for general use.

Polished plate glass can be obtained in the following thicknesses: ⅛, 3/16, ¼ to 5/16, ⅜, ½, 5/8, ¾, ⅞, 1, 1¼, 1½ in. The ⅛-in. glass is known as *crystal plate glass.* The ¼ to 5/16-in. glass is the *standard commercial thickness for general glazing purposes.*

The ⅛ and 3/16-in. glass is largely used for residence windows, car sash, leaded glass, and wherever high polish clear vision, and minimum weight are required. They are manufactured from the same thickness of rough plate as the standard thickness glass and, on account of the additional cost of grinding and the liability of breakage, are more expensive.

Glass thicker than the standard ¼ to 5/16 in. is used for such special purposes as counter tops, shelves, port and deck lights on ships, aquariums, etc., and, if thicker than ⅜ in. usually has to be specially manufactured.

The standard ¼ to 5/16-in. glass is the least difficult to obtain and is the most economical to use, both the thicker and thinner glass being more expensive.

187. Mirrors.

187*a*. Manufacture.—Mirrors are made by silvering one side of a sheet of glass, and not only is a good silvering process necessary, but a glass of the wrong composition may chemically change so as to react on the silvering and ruin the mirror.

187*b*. Glass for Mirrors.—For general use, only the best grade (silvering quality) of polished plate glass should be used, for, after silvering, defects are magnified and accentuated. Cylinder glass is used in the manufacture of cheap mirrors, known as *shock* mirrors, but the image is always more or less distorted and they are suitable for use only as reflectors of light.

187*c*. Silvering.—There are two processes by which mirrors may be made: the *patent-back* process and the *mercury-back* process.

The patent-back process is the method employed almost entirely today. It consists in the precipitation of a film of nitrate of silver on the surface of the glass and protecting this film with shellac and mirror-back paint. This is a slow and expensive method and the larger size mirrors are difficult to set without damaging the backing. The mercury backing is supposed to be permanent and while the patent back is subject to deterioration it should have a life of not less than 10 or 12 yr.

187*d*. Sizes.—The size of a mirror is limited only by the size in which the glass can be made, but extremely large sizes of glass entirely free from blemises are very difficult to obtain.

188. Rolled or Figured Sheet Glass.—This is a translucent or obscured glass with a pattern or design imprinted on one side. It is largely used in office doors and partitions and wherever obstruction of view and diffusion of light are required. The more broken the surface, the better will the glass obstruct the view; and the flatter the projections, the better for light transmission. There are upward of 50 different patterns manufactured, such as *ribbed, Florentine, maze, cobweb, colonial,* etc., and it has largely supplanted the ordinary ground glass on account of its greater cleanliness and better light diffusing qualities.

188*a*. Manufacture.—Figured sheet glass is manufactured by casting the molten glass upon a table on which the design has been cut and then immediately rolling to the required thickness leaving a smooth fire polished upper surface.

188*b*. Sizes and Thicknesses.—The usual commercial thickness is ⅛ in. but certain of the designs are also made 3/16, ¼ and ⅜ in. thick. It is cast in sheets from 24 to 48 in. wide and 8 to 10 ft. long. All the designs, however, are not made in the extremely large sizes or in the heavier weights. A few of the designs, owing to the character of the pattern, are not made thinner than 3/16 in.

189. Wire Glass.—Wire glass is a sheet of glass in the body of which is embedded a wire mesh. It is used chiefly on account of its fire retarding qualities, and the fact that, when the glass is cracked, the fragments are held together by the wire makes it especially suitable for skylight glass and similar uses.

189*a*. Manufacture.—There are three methods by which wire glass is manufactured. By the *Shuman* process a sheet of glass is rolled and while still plastic, the wire netting is pressed into the glass and the surface smoothed. By the *Appert* or *Schmertz* process a thin sheet of glass is first rolled and upon this is placed the wire mesh, at the same time pouring and rolling a second sheet on top and embedding the wire. This is sometimes called the *sand-*

wich process. By the *continuous* or *solid* process the wire netting is mechanically crimped and placed on the casting table and the glass poured and rolled over it.

189*b*. Sizes and Thicknesses.—Wire glass is made in sheets as wide as 60 in., as long as 130 in., and in ⅛, 3/16, ¼, ⅜, in. and greater thicknesses. The ¼-in. glass is the standard commercial thickness and no glass of less thickness is accepted under the rules of the National Board of Fire Underwriters. The thin wire glass defeats the purpose for which it is made as there is not sufficient glass surrounding the wire to hold the pieces together in case of fracture.

The following extract is taken from the Rules and Regulations of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, edition of 1906.

Thickness of Glass.—Wire glass to have a thickness of at least ¼ in. at the thinnest point.

Size of Glass.—The unsupported surface of the glass allowed, shall be governed by the severity of exposure and be determined in each case by the Underwriters having jurisdiction, but in no case shall it be more than 48 in. in either dimension or exceed 720 sq. in.

The recommended sizes to conform with the above requirements are 15 x 48 in., 18 x 40 in., 20 x 36 in., and 24 x 30 in. There are also regulations governing construction of sash and frame, setting of glass, depth of rebates (¾ in.), bearing of glass (⅝ in.), etc.

189*c*. Kinds of Wire Glass.—Wire glass is made with the following kinds of surface treatment: Rough, ribbed, figured, semi-polished, and polished. There is no such wire glass as *plain* wire glass and the use of the term leads to confusion as to whether rough or polished glass is intended.

Rough wire glass is the glass just as it comes from the rollers. It is rough on the side next to the casting table and smoothly fire polished on the top surface.

Ribbed wire glass has a corrugated or grooved surface on the casting table side and is smooth on the other side.

Figured wire glass is similar to the above except that it has a figure or design on one side. There are many of these designs from which choice may be made, among the more common of which are: Maze, Colonial, Moss, and Romanesque.

Semi-polished or rough-rolled wire glass is ground and polished on one side only. It permits of a well-defined vision up to a distance of 5 or 6 ft., and is sometimes used in elevator doors and where perfect transparency is not an essential requirement.

Polished wire glass is rough wire glass after having both sides ground and polished. This glass is sometimes incorrectly referred to as polished plate wire glass. The method of casting the glass in the manufacture of wire glass is different from the method used in making plate glass and does not produce a sheet as free from bubbles as the latter method. While the more perfect sheets of rough wire glass are selected for polishing, the finished product is not supposed to be as free from bubbles and minor blemishes as polished plate glass.

190. Prism Glass.—This glass has horizontal lines of prisms on one face and is smooth on the other. These prisms change the direction of the light and throw it back into the room, thereby materially increasing the general illumination.

The usual forms in which this glass is manufactured are: Sheet prism, prism plate, prism wire, and prism tile.

Sheet prism glass is made in sizes up to 60 in. wide x 138 in. long; thickness up to 42 in. high, ¼ in., and over 42 in. high, 3/16 in. *Prism plate* glass has the smooth side ground and polished. It is made in sheets up to 72 in. high x 82 in. long. *Prism wire* glass is designed for use where deflection of the light and fire protection are both required. It is made in sizes up to 42 in. high x 138 in. long and is ⅜ in. thick. If used in sizes, etc., conforming to the rules and regulations applying to other wire glass, it is approved by the Fire Underwriters. *Prism tile* are made in 4 and 5-in. squares, are set in hard metal glazing bars, either zinc finish or copper plated, or in solid copper bars; and where required are reinforced with steel bars.

These prisms are made in a large variety of angles and in order to insure their successful use the depth of the room, the height of the ceiling, the source of the light, etc., have to be taken into consideration in selecting the proper angle and method of installation to be used. Some of the manufacturers of prism glass have given the subject of natural illumination considerable study, much of which has been published in booklet and even handbook form to which the users of this material are referred for detailed information.

191. Sidewalk Glass.—Sidewalk lights or vault lights with glass set in reinforced concrete or steel frames are used for lighting basements. The glass lenses are made in various sizes either round or square and as either flat pressed units or drop lenses of single or multiple prisms according to the distribution of light required.

192. Chipping and Grinding.—These are surface treatments that may be applied to any smooth surfaced glass. It is necessary therefore to clearly call for the kind of glass to which the treatment is to be applied.

192*a*. Chipped Glass.—This surface is produced by coating the glass with hot oil or glue and gradually heating and drying. The drying glue or oil slivers off the glass in various forms, no two flakes being identical, but with a uniform general effect.

A single application and the consequent chipping produces what is known as *single process chipped glass.* If the glass has been previously sand blasted, lines of the original ground surface will remain. If the process is repeated on the *same* side of the glass, all trace of the original surface disappears, the flakes or pattern is finer and the glass is known as *double process chipped glass.*

192*b*. Ground Glass.—Ground or sand blasted glass has a milky or frosted surface produced by subjecting the sheet to a blast of fine sand.

A ground surface is easily soiled or marked with pencil or chalk and is very difficult to clean. While it obscures vision, it does not give as good light transmission and diffusion as some of the figured patterns of sheet glass. When the ground glass effect is desired, a more satisfactory result may be obtained by the use of either acid ground glass or opal finished glass.

192*c*. Acid Ground Glass.—This is similar in appearance to the ordinary ground glass, but it has a much finer and more delicate caste, a smoother surface and is more easily cleaned. This surface is produced by treating the glass with hydrofloric acid, rendering it semi-obscure or complete obscure as may be desired.

193. Colored Glass.—Colored glass is produced by introducing various substances into the molten glass and the cost of the glass is largely determined by the cost of the coloring material required to be used. Almost any desired shade or combination of colors may be obtained by the use of opalescent, flashed opal, and cathedral glass.

Figured rolled sheet glass and single and double strength cylinder glass may be obtained in standard solid colors of ruby, green, blue, orange, and violet.

193*a*. Opal Flashed Glass.—Flashed glass is made by blowing a thin film of colored glass on the surface of a sheet of clear glass. It can be obtained in sheets as large as 37 x 59 in., in either single or double strength, in several degrees of density, and in either white or various tints.

193*b*. Opalescent or Solid Opal Glass.—This glass is made in both smooth and granite surfaces, in white and various tints, and is cast in sheets about 26 in. wide by 40 to 50 in. long. It is similar in appearance to opal flashed glass, but as the coloring matter is contained in the body of the glass it is considerably more opaque.

193*c*. Cathedral Glass.—Cathedral glass is made with either a hammered or smooth surface, and in clear and a variety of tints. It is about ⅛ in. thick, is cast in sheets about 30 x 90 in. and is one of the cheapest colored glass on the market. It is largely used for leaded glass work.

194. Colored Plate or Structural Glass.—White and black structural glass, on account of its nonporous, nonstaining, sanitary and easily cleaned surface, is used for counters, shelves, wainscoting, wall coverings, etc. It is made in sheets up to 60 in. wide, 100 in. long and in the following thicknesses: 3/16, 5/16, 7/16, ½, 9/16, 5/8, ¾, 1, 1¼, 1½ in., and in natural, honed, and in ground and polished surfaces.

Elastic cement should always be used for setting this material in order to reduce the liability of cracks caused by the settlement of the building; and, where metallic supports or angles are used, they should be packed and care taken in tightening bolts not to break the glass which is fragile near the edge.

195. Glazing.—Glazing is sometimes specified under Carpentry, sometimes under Painting, and sometimes made a separate section. In whatever section of the specifications it is placed it is desirable to have all glass under the one heading "Glass and Glazing."

195*a*. General Notes.—All rebates in wood sash or doors should be primed before the glass is set, otherwise the wood will absorb the oil from the putty. All glass should be accurately cut to fit the rebates, preferably with a slight play and especially so in connection with metal. Rebates should be of proper size and depth (¼ in. minimum) to receive the glass.

All bending of curved glass is done at the factory and it is necessary to furnish accurate measurements, profiles, etc. All kinds of glass may be bent by placing the flat sheet on a mold formed to the shape required and heating sufficiently to allow the glass to soften and fall to the shape of the mold, after which it is necessary to re-anneal the glass.

195*b*. Setting Glass.—Glass is secured in place by means of putty or glazing beads or molds. When set in wrought-iron doors, the glass is sometimes bedded on felt or rubber strips. Sash are usually puttied, and beads or molds are usually used (always in first-class work) in connection with doors, glazed partitions, etc. Sash should be glazed flat and putty allowed time to harden before handling.

Plate glass in large lights, such as in store front construction should be supported on pads of felt, leather, lead, oakum, or soft wood blocks, one at each end, and the glazing beads or molds, especially if of metal, should not be drawn too tight.

In setting mirrors care should be taken that not only the backs of the mirrors but also their frames or supports are protected from dampness. If set in small lights, as in French doors, especial care should be taken to have the backs of the rebates all in a true plane, otherwise the image will be distorted. To avoid this possible distortion a large mirror is sometimes used with false muntins on the face. If broken, however, this type of construction is very difficult and expensive to repair. The backs of all molds and false muntins should be painted black to prevent their reflection from showing.

Cylinder or common window glass usually has a slightly bowed surface and should be set with the bowed or convex side out. This not only increases the strength of the glass but tends to lessen the distortion.

Wire glass should be set with the twist of the wire running vertically.

Figured glass in office doors should be set with the smooth side out (toward corridor) to allow for sign painting, and in windows with the rough side out wherever possible as the light transmission is better with the rough side toward the source of the light. This, however, does not necessarily apply to the scientifically designed prism glass.

195*c*. Putty and Puttying.—Glass in window sash is usually secured in position by means of small triangular pieces of metal—known as *glaziers points*—spaced from 6 to 10 in. apart, and then covered with putty so as to fill the rebate. This is known as *face puttying*.

Bedding is a term used when a thin layer of putty is spread on the rebate of the open sash and the glass pressed in the putty to an even bearing.

Back puttying consists in pointing up or forcing putty into those portions of the joint between the inside face of the glass and the rebate where the glass and the wood have not made absolute contact.

In the best work glass in doors, especially in outside doors, is bedded and back puttied as well as secured with molds, and in sash is bedded, back puttied and face puttied. Stock sash are only face puttied and other sash will not be bedded and back puttied unless specifically called for. Figured glass if set with the rough side to the rebate is not usually bedded or back puttied on account of the difficulty in removing the putty from the ridges and drepressions on the glass.

The common commercial putty generally used for setting glass, where no particular make or brand is called for, is frequently of very poor quality. The best putty is made from pure whiting, linseed oil, and about 10% of white lead paste. The addition of more white lead will cause the putty to dry too hard and to adhere so firmly to the rebate as to make re-glazing very difficult without damaging the muntins.

195*d*. Metal Store Front Construction.—Plate glass in show windows, store fronts, etc., is usually set in metal sash bars, sills, division bars, etc., the area of the metal or obstruction of view being reduced to a minimum. There are several standard makes of all metal store front construction on the market and detailed descriptions and full size drawings of the different members may be obtained from the manufacturers. The best types secure the glass from the outside by means of a metal locking or clamping member and provide for drainage, ventilation, and illumination if desired.

PAINT, STAIN, VARNISH, AND WHITEWASH

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Paint and varnish, while often thought of only from a decorative standpoint, should primarily be considered as protective materials. This office is performed through building up successive thin surface coats or layers of materials that have distinct properties and separate services to perform; and each of these will render this service according as to whether or not it is the requisite material and correctly or incorrectly applied to a proper base. The function of stains is more decorative than protective, being used under paints and varnishes to bring out color or graining.

196. Paint as a Structural Material.—Paints perform one or more important structural functions. As preservatives, they may prevent rusting of iron or steel, or may exclude dampness including rot in wood. As reflectors of light they may increase the useful space in factories and warehouses; and by their decorative effect they make possible the use of materials unsuited.

197. Test for Paints.—High quality in paint is dependent more upon physical than upon chemical properties. Chemical analysis can detect impurities, such as excess water or soluble sulphates, but gives little information as to the comparative merits of a variety of paints free from such crude faults.

Physical tests for paints are not standardized, nor are they of universal application. A service test under given conditions is the most valuable, but even in this test, care must be taken to insure that the results obtained are correctly observed and interpreted. The method of application of paint is also of vital importance.

A gallon of good paint of standard quality should cover about 300 sq. ft. on wood, two coats, and should have a life of about 4 yr. Its color should be durable, its surface should be neither too hard nor too soft, and it should weather to a proper surface for repainting.

198. Composition of Paints.—All paints consist of a vehicle, usually an oil which hardens to a jell on oxidation by air; and a pigment, or body of coloring matter, carried by the vehicle and embedded in it when dry. These must be suited to one another and to the use to which they are to be applied.

199. Properties of Paint Films.—The properties of the hardened paint films are the properties of a jell of oxidized or dried oil, the character of this being dependent (1) upon the oil used and conditions attending its refining and heating treatment, (2) upon the properties of the individual pigments, and (3) upon the pigment mixtures employed. The film may be so elastic that it can be stretched some 50% before breaking—an outside house paint being typical—or it may stretch but little before breaking, and yet be very tough and hard—as a floor paint, for example. The pigment portion of the hardened film is, with few exceptions, quite inert chemically, at least to such outside agents as ordinarily are met with. The jell of hardened oil, however, is fairly active chemically. It reacts very readily with any alkaline material, as well as with all strong acids. Some of its properties, especially its color, are influenced by even very dilute industrial fumes. It frequently reacts slowly with water. And above all, the reaction with atmospheric oxygen does not stop with production of the solid, but proceeds more or less rapidly, usually with the formation of water-soluble or brittle disintegration products and eventual destruction of the film. Fortunately, this final result is ordinarily not reached for many years, until after other factors have led to renewal of the paint.

200. Pigments.—The solid portion of any paint, to which it owes its opacity and color, is called pigment. Pigments may be classified as white, color, and transparent or inert.

200*a*. White Lead Pigments.—White lead is a name applied to two different pigments. One, the basic carbonate of lead, is the old Dutch process or corroded lead; the other, the basic sulphate, is a fume pigment, closely resembling in properties the older material. Both are largely used in exterior paints; white lead is sometimes used alone, and sometimes combined with zinc oxide and inert pigment.

Zinc Oxide.—Zinc oxide, made from metallic zinc or from an extremely pure ore, contains particles the average size of which is less than any other pigment—save, perhaps, some lampblacks. Combined with white lead it is extremely valuable in outside paints, but it should not be used alone. It is widely used in exterior enamels and flat paints. The leaded zincs have properties more or less intermediate between those of sublimed lead and zinc oxide.

Lithopone.—Lithopone is an intimate mixture of zinc sulphate and barium sulphate, formed by reaction between salts of the two metals; it has little durability in an exterior paint, but is very useful in factory enamels and interior wall paints.

200*b*. Color Pigments—*Reds.*—Iron oxide, of varying oxide content and color, is widely used. When it is a constituent of a paint used on steel, freedom from a large amount of sulphate is important.

Red Lead.—Two varieties of red lead are used as color pigments, one particularly pure (Pb_3O_4) and the other containing at least 10% of lead monoxide. The former can be kept mixed with oil, but the latter should only be mixed shortly before use. There is much discussion regarding the comparative merits of the two products, but both seem to have given good results in practice. Red lead is of little value in the final coat of paint if it is to be exposed to weather. Applied to iron or steel, it is extremely valuable as a rust preventative, and where durability to weather is required, it can be protected by a coat of another paint.

American vermillion is a red lead on which an organic dye is precipitated. It has the valuable rust-preventative properties of red lead. Many other red organic dyes, precipitated on inert bases, are used under the name of para-reds.

Yellows.—Most of the yellow pigments are used for tinting or altering the color of other pigments, and are without special interest here. They are either natural oxides high in silica, or artificial chromates. One, zinc chromate, is an excellent rust inhibitive, and is sometimes added to paints used on iron and steel.

Greens.—The greens, like the yellows, are largely used for tinting. They are usually a mixture of blue and yellow pigment.

Blues.—Sublimed blue lead is a fume pigment, high in lead oxide, and an excellent rust inhibitor. It is valuable in metal paints of all kinds. The other blues are largely used for tinting.

Browns.—The brown pigments are usually iron oxides, always containing silica, and sometimes much manganese. Certain ores under the name of "Princes Metallic" are widely used for painting metal work.

Blacks.—Graphite is perhaps the most important pigment of this class. It is used in large amounts as a paint for ironwork, preferably over a first coat of red lead. Graphite makes a paint film which is very impermeable and excludes water and gases well. As a second coat, it is very valuable. It should be mixed with an inert pigment, preferably silica. Both natural and artificial graphite are used, the natural product being preferred.

Lamp and carbon blacks are soot products. They should not be applied direct to metal unless an inhibitive pigment of some type is mixed with them.

200*c*. Inert Pigments.—The most important materials in this class are barium sulphate, both natural and artificial; china clay; a magnesium silicate, usually known as asbestine or asbestine pulp; silica, and calcium carbonate or whiting. Their particles are comparatively large and they impart neither color nor opacity to paint. Their use is largely restricted to ready mixed and special paints, and they are frequently known as extenders. Intelligently used in not too large quantities by a reputable manufacturer they should not be classed as adulterants, as they are frequently valuable in modifying the physical characteristics of the paint film. It is inadvisable, however, to permit their use in connection with paints mixed by hand.

201. Paint Vehicles.—The liquid portion of the paint, which after drying furnishes the binding material, is called the vehicle. The usual paint contains both volatile and non-volatile liquids in its vehicle portion.

201*a*. Drying Oils.—These are all compounds of glycerine with fatty acids, and on exposure to the air absorb oxygen and are converted into solids. *Linseed oil* is most widely used, and for general paints for exterior exposure is probably unexcelled. *China wood oil, soy*

bean oil, and *fish oil* are also used, almost invariably being first treated by varnish making methods. When properly used by the manufacturers of special purpose paints of wide variety, they should not be considered as substitutes for linseed oil, but as products of high quality, having properties not possessed by linseed oil itself.

201b. Thinners.—Turpentine and the so-called "turpentine substitutes" fall in this class. In the hand of the painter or consumer, turpentine is the safe material to use. Substitutes, if of a high quality and free from non-volatile petroleum oils, may be equally satisfactory in the hands of a manufacturer who has made a special study of their use, but elsewhere they should generally be avoided, the principal exception being the use of 160-deg. benzol in connection with the priming of resinous woods and for thinning paste filler.

201c. Driers.—These are soluble compounds of lead, manganese or cobalt present in the vehicle. Their function is to accelerate the absorption of oxygen and consequently the hardening of the drying oil. Their use in excess hastens the final disintegration of the paint film.

202. Hand-mixed Paint.—The principal materials used for making hand-mixed paints are white lead, zinc white, linseed oil, turpentine, and a small amount of dryer. The so-called extenders, turpentine substitutes, etc., have no place in connection with paints of this nature.

White lead may be used either alone or in combination with zinc white. Zinc white is not used alone except in special instances. The order in which the materials should be mixed is important. The pastes should be broken up with no more oil than is necessary and the zinc added to the lead, then the tinting colors, then the dryer, then the rest of the oil, and last the turpentine. Each ingredient should be thoroughly mixed before the next is applied.

Hand-mixed paints have an advantage over ready-mixed paint in that the painter can vary the proportion and materials to meet the actual conditions of surface and finish. In the hands of an inexperienced painter, however, this is of doubtful value.

203. Ready-mixed Paint.—Ready-mixed paint should be of reputable manufacture and delivered in sealed containers. It usually contains both lead and zinc with the addition of not over 15 % of inert pigments or extenders. They are mixed in the proper proportions for the finishing coats and therefore require some modifications or manipulations when used as priming and undercoats. These modifications, however, are easily made.

Good results may be obtained by the use of either ready-mixed paints or hand-mixed paints, but in the hands of an inexperienced painter it is usually safer to use the ready prepared material.

Thorough mixing before use is essential in connection with the use of these paints. The liquid portion should first be poured off and the remaining contents stirred from the bottom until of uniform consistency and the liquid portion then replaced and stirred in thoroughly.

204. Special Paints.—Special conditions frequently call for paints having unusual properties. The paint manufacturer, by proper treatment of the drying oils, and proper pigment choice, can produce an almost infinite variety of products which will answer the requirements of each particular case.

205. Application of Paint.—The first coat of paint, known as the priming coat, must key to the substance to which it is applied, must be unaffected by any substances contained in that surface, and must itself afford a proper surface upon which to apply the subsequent coats.

After the priming coat, the base or intermediate coats are applied to build up a proper surface upon which to place the finishing coats. Their composition is largely determined by the exposure and nature of the finishing coat; and the number of coats by the color and character of the surface to which they are applied.

The finishing coat, or last coat applied, is the surface which receives all wear. It is therefore necessary that it not only give the finished appearance desired, but also that it be able to withstand atmospheric and other conditions of use.

The priming coat should be well worked into the surface, brushing both with and across the grain; it should be brushed out thin and the entire surface covered. Each coat should be brushed out to a uniform thin film, and thoroughly dry before the next coat is applied.

In some circumstances, dipping and spraying are preferable to brush coats. Paints should never be applied in very cold weather unless absolutely necessary nor under any circumstances when moisture is present on the surface.

206. Painting Concrete, Stucco, and Plaster.—Painting these surfaces is perhaps the most difficult paint problem encountered. The alkaline materials present must be prevented from acting on the drying oils with which they readily saponify. The surface is also porous and tends to absorb the paint vehicle before drying can occur, and moisture is very likely to be present.

Painting of these surfaces should be done only in dry weather and if possible after a dry spell of a week or so, since if moisture is present, it will cause the paint to peel. Painting, however, will not prevent the formation of efflorescence unless the source of moisture infiltration is first found and stopped.

Free lime or alkaline material from such surfaces usually disappear after about 2-yr. exposure after which period no special treatment will be required on this account. If, however, they are present at any time even in small amount, it is necessary that they be neutralized or that a special paint unaffected by them be used. There are a number of excellent paints especially made to resist alkaline action and to stop suction of evaporation which may be used for priming coat; and on the practically inert surface thus formed any paint suitable for the exposure or finish desired may be used.

Unless a special primer is used, it is always necessary to neutralize any possible free lime. This may be done by applying with a whitewash or calcimine brush, a solution of zinc sulphate and water, about 5 or 6 lb. of the sulphate dissolved in a gallon of water. After about three days of drying, the priming coat may be applied.

For sizing inside plaster surfaces, good paint containing about 50% of varnish should be used. Varnish size is sometimes used, but while it stops suction and thereby enables the painter to possibly reduce the number of coats required for the finish, it does not properly key to the surface and is itself glossy.

If a ready-mixed flat coater is used, one quart of oil should be mixed to the gallon of paint for the first coat, unless otherwise stated in the manufacturer's directions.

If a ready-mixed paint is used, 1½ pints of turpentine and 1 pint of linseed oil to each gallon of paint should be added for priming. To other undercoats 1 pint of turpentine should be added to each gallon.

If hand-mixed oil paint is used, a good result may be obtained by the use of 70% white lead, 30% zinc white, 80% linseed oil, and 20% turpentine. If a semi-flat finish is desired the amount of oil may be reduced in the final coat.

Each coat should be allowed at least 3 days to dry and no painter should permit himself to be hurried beyond the point of absolute safety in assuring results.

207. Painting Brickwork.—Brickwork must be thoroughly dry before attempting to paint. In order to obtain a satisfactory result it is necessary to prevent the brick from absorbing the oil from the paint before it has an opportunity to dry. This may be accomplished by first applying two coats of raw linseed oil with the addition of one-half pint of "oil dryer" per gallon to the brick. Liquid dryers and Japans are not suitable. Full coats should be applied, and each coat allowed 10 days to dry. After this treatment, the finishing coats of oil paint may be applied. These may be similar to the paint used for soft pine woods.

This same treatment may also be applied to old stucco or rough coat plaster surfaces.

208. Paints for Interior Walls.—Illumination is so largely influenced by wall color that painting factory interiors becomes important, entirely aside from any sanitary or decorative advantages gained. Cold water paints are sometimes used, but except in isolated cases, are undesirable, being unsanitary, easily soiled, and eventually flaking from the surface. Flat paints—that is, paints drying with a non-glossy finish—are desirable in residences and office buildings. They contain lithopone or zinc oxide, with inert pigments, mixed usually with a vehicle containing china wood oil and, if of good quality, will withstand repeated washing without injury. For factories, a gloss paint is preferred, as it is more durable, and withstands cleaning better. Lithopone is almost invariably the main pigment used and the vehicle is specially prepared so that the paint will not acquire a yellow color with age, or on exposure to various industrial gases.

209. Paints for Steel.—Certain pigments, notably sublimed blue lead, red lead, zinc chromate, black iron oxide, and a special pigment resembling Portland cement in composition, possess the property of inhibiting the rusting of iron. A pigment of this class should always be present in the first coat applied to steel work. Many of these pigments produce paints which have little durability unless protected from the weather, so that best results are obtained by

covering this first coat with a durable paint, which need not contain an inhibitive pigment. It is advantageous to have this second paint very impermeable, a property secured by pigment combination—graphite being particularly effective—or by use of special varnish or treated oils in the vehicle. The properties of this second paint may also be modified depending upon the use to which the painted steel is to be put.

210. Painting Galvanized Iron.—Galvanized iron is, on account of the character of its surface, especially when new, a very difficult material to paint; and such painting should not be attempted except in dry and moderately warm weather. On account of the difficulties to be encountered, there have been placed on the market a number of special paints for use on galvanized iron, some of which have given very good results.

If galvanized iron is allowed to weather for a year before painting, ordinary oil paints may be used, but if new, the surface must be specially treated to enable the paint to adhere. To this end it is sometimes washed with dilute nitric or muriatic acid and wiped off with benzine. This acid treatment, however, is likely to cause rust; and a more satisfactory method is to brush the surface with a solution of 6 oz. of acetate of copper to a gallon of water, allowing this to dry. After the copper acetate has remained on the surface for 24 hr. it will remove all grease or other substances that would interfere with the proper painting, and produce a blackened and somewhat stippled surface to which paint will readily adhere. If desired, copper chloride or copper sulphate may be used in place of copper acetate.

After treatment as above, the galvanized iron may be painted with ordinary oil paint, mixing with the first coat about one quart of turpentine to the gallon of paint. It is better, however, after treating the surface, to apply a coat of pure red lead paint, mixed with about 50 % linseed oil and 50 % turpentine; and over this, not less than two coats of lead and oil paint.

211. Painting Copper.—Copper is not usually painted. If, however, a painted effect is required, the surface should be cleaned with benzol and an elastic paint used. For the first coat, if ready-mixed paint is used, one quart of turpentine and one-half pint of exterior varnish should be added to the gallon of paint; and to the second coat one-half pint of the varnish but no turpentine. Red lead paint may also be used for the first coat, as in painting galvanized iron.

212. Stain.—The function of wood stains is to change or modify the color and bring out the grain and texture of the wood. They are known as oil stains, water or acid stains, spirit stains, and chemical stains, according to the vehicle employed.

212*a*. Oil Stain.—Oil stain is not necessarily a stain in which the vehicle is entirely oil. It may contain oil only as a binder, or may be composed wholly of solvents of oil. If composed only of oil, it is practically a paint, will not penetrate the wood to a sufficient depth, and will cloud or obscure the grain, giving a muddy effect.

These stains, however, are easy to apply, do not raise the grain of the wood, and are largely used in connection with the resinous woods such as yellow pine, and also for staining exterior woodwork. They are applied with a brush and should be wiped off to prevent obscuring the grain. In staining such woods as yellow pine, it is best to apply a thin coat of linseed oil and about 10 % turpentine before staining. In woods of this class, there is a marked difference between the absorption in connection with the heart or harder portions and the sap or softer portions, and if the stain is applied without previous treatment there will be too much contrast between the hard and soft portions. The coat of oil tends to equalize these surfaces and gives a more uniform surface on which to apply the stain.

For staining exterior woodwork such as half-timber work, exposed rafters, etc., and where no finish other than stain is desired, there are several good proprietary, protective stains on the market. Good results can also be obtained by the use of a stain composed of about 40 %, 160-deg. benzole, 60 % raw linseed oil, and ground color in oil as required. After staining, a coat of raw linseed oil and 10 % turpentine should be applied. In the best work, two coats of oil are applied. If a very dark effect is required, it is better to use two coats of stain, as if only a single heavy coat is used, it will obscure the grain and the effect will be rather that of paint than of stain. For the silver gray shade, and light colors, only one coat of stain will be required. These stains may also be used for dipping shingles but ready-mixed preservative stains are more generally used.

212*b*. Water and Spirit Stains.—These stains are solutions of dyes; and if made of analine dyes are likely to fade, so that an acid is sometimes added to prevent this tendency. They are clear, penetrate deeply, and do not obscure the grain of wood.

In water stains, the vehicle is water sometimes acidified, and in spirit stains the vehicle is alcohol.

Water stains give most satisfactory results in bringing out the natural beauty of the wood, but have a tendency to raise the grain. In order to correct this, open grain woods, such as oak, should be first sponged with water, allowed to dry, and then sandpapered. The stain may then be applied without further raising the grain. If the stain is applied without first sponging the wood, and the surface is then sandpapered smooth, too much of the stain will be removed.

Sponging with water before staining is not necessary in connection with close grain woods, such as birch, white pine, etc.

212*c*. Chemical Stains.—These change the color of the wood through chemical action and not through coloring matter contained in a vehicle. They are adapted for use only in connection with certain woods principally oak, chestnut, and ash, and are composed of various chemicals usually mixed with water with sometimes the addition of a little ammonia.

Among the more commonly used materials are: Iron salts, in various acidulated forms, producing a dark brown color; Potassium and Sodium Bichromate, producing various shades of brown and red; and Copperas, together with Zinc-sulphate, producing green and various weathered effects. Chemical stains are economically prepared but their use should not be attempted except in the hands of an experienced painter. Artistic weathered effects may be obtained by the use of these stains without either filler or varnish by merely wiping the stained surface with a liquid wax.

213. Fillers.—Liquid fillers are varnishes of low viscosity, usually containing finely divided, transparent, or translucent solid matters. They are also sometimes colored, and are used chiefly as first coats on pine and other close grain woods. These fillers are usually applied as a varnish and allowed to remain without rubbing off. They have a tendency to discolor the wood, do not always dry out entirely, and are used rather for cheapness than for quality. A coat of good varnish will usually give a more satisfactory result.

Paste fillers are used for filling open-grain woods such as chestnut, oak, etc. These fillers consist of a finely powdered mineral substance ground to a paste in a special type of varnish. This paste is thinned with turpentine or benzol, is brushed on the surface, and wiped off after it has set but before it has hardened. The wiping off should be carefully done across the grain so as to only remove the filler from the surface and not from the grain. These fillers may be obtained colorless, or in various tints or colors. The colorless filler can be mixed with various colors ground in oil to obtain the desired effect.

Paste fillers are not generally used for exterior work on account of the weather loosening the filler in the grain and thereby destroying the surface finish. Their use is becoming less for interior work also, as the modern tendency is to emphasize the effect to be obtained through the use of open-grained woods.

214. Varnish.—"Varnish is a liquid not containing suspended matter (pigment) used for decoration or protection and capable of being spread in a thin homogeneous film which will dry to a hard coating." It is roughly classified as spirit varnish and oil varnish according to the vehicle used. Spirit varnishes contain only resin, shellac, or similar substances, and a volatile solvent, usually alcohol or turpentine; oil varnishes contain in addition to the resin, etc., a fixed or fatty oil. The oil varnishes are the more important class and embrace numerous types, such as spar varnish, exterior varnish, interior varnish, floor varnish, rubbing varnish, etc. Based upon the relative amount of gum and oil used in oil varnishes they are known as short oil, and long oil varnish.

In *short oil varnishes*, hardness, luster, susceptibility to high polish, and quick drying are more essential qualities than durability. They include such varnishes as furniture, rubbing, and polishing varnish. *Medium oil varnishes* include the usual architectural varnishes. In these, hardness, luster, and a fair degree of durability are the most desirable qualifications. In *long oil varnishes*, durability is the principal quality desired, and they are intended primarily for exterior use. The short oil varnishes are hard; the medium varnishes, moderately hard; and long oil varnishes elastic. By blending, almost any degree of hardness and elasticity may be obtained.

The principal raw materials used in the manufacture of varnish are fatty oil (linseed oil and turpentine), volatile thinners (turpentine, mineral spirits, and alcohol), metallic dryers (metallic compounds of lead and manganese), and resin (copals, including "fossil" gums, Dammar resin, and shellac).

Oil varnishes, without resin, are made for special uses not generally connected with building construction.

Architectural oil varnishes contain resin or gum in some form as an important constituent. The resin is heated until completely melted and the previously heated oil is then added. The dryers are added either separately or incorporated in the oil and the mixture heated until it is judged ready to be cooled, thinned, and stored. Hardness is usually obtained by increasing the amount of resin, and elasticity by decreasing the resin.

The details of manufacture vary in connection with the different grades and kinds of varnish and among different manufacturers in the making of the same kind and grade of varnish. Oil varnish is not a mere mechanical mixture of the various raw materials. Chemical changes take place in both the oil and the resin; and it is possible, by varying the methods of manufacture, to produce varnishes of radically different properties from the same kinds of raw materials.

Flattening or *flat-finish varnishes* are of special and often complex manufacture and frequently contain wax or a small amount of pigment. Some, however, are produced by the use of tung oil not heated sufficiently to prevent it from drying flat.

The principal spirit varnishes used in connection with building are Dammar varnish and shellac varnish. *Dammar varnish* is made by treating dammar resin with turpentine, or light mineral oil, usually in the proportion of 5 or 6 lb. of resin to 1 gal. of solvent. The resin is not entirely dissolved and the commercial varnish shows some turbidity, or cloudiness. *Shellac varnish* is made by dissolving white or orange shellac in alcohol. Either wood or a grain alcohol may be used, but on account of the disagreeable odor and danger of poisoning attending its use, wood alcohol is seldom used alone and the use of grain alcohol is usually made a requirement in connection with the manufacture of shellac varnish. A usual proportion for a rather heavy body varnish is 5 lb. of shellac to the gallon of alcohol. This may be thinned to whatever consistency is required in connection with its intended use.

Shellac varnish finds a large use as an undercoating or first coat in connection with varnish and wax finish. Applied in a thin coat it is easily rubbed with steel wool to a dull smooth surface. It should not be used in connection with exterior work as it has poor resistance to atmospheric conditions.

Shellac, either orange or white, is sometimes used for a finish alone. It gives a very pleasing finish without much luster but requires more coats than oil varnish, is easily worn down, injured or defaced, and turns permanently white from contact with water.

Architectural varnishes are designed especially for use in the decoration and protection of the exterior and interior woodwork of building.

Exterior varnishes have, as a prime requisite, ability to resist exposure. They should be elastic, resist abrasion, moisture, light, and heat, or sun and cold. Spar varnishes were originally designed to protect the spars of ships but the term is now sometimes applied to a class of tough elastic interior varnishes as well as a varnish for exterior use. Spar varnish should dry slowly, should have a moderate luster, remain elastic, and be resistant to water.

Marine varnishes are designed to resist salt or fresh water and marine atmosphere.

Coach varnish was originally a high gloss varnish for finishing carriages, railway coaches, etc., and the term "No. 1 Coach" indicated the best quality. No. 1 Coach varnish has at the present time no definite meaning.

Interior varnishes for general interior finish should be of fair body, moderately rapid in drying, fairly light in color, of moderate hardness, unaffected by occasional moisture, and of permanent luster. The best grades will not turn white on exposure to water. They are not expected to possess the same resistance as can be obtained in exterior varnish. Varied and diverse effects and surfaces are required of them and the choice of the interior varnish to use largely depends on the particular surface finish desired.

Hard oil finish was originally a finish obtained by rubbing the wood with a number of successive coats of linseed oil. As applied to varnish the term today is meaningless and does not denote quality, many manufacturers listing a cheap grade of varnish as hard oil finish.

Rubbing varnish is a varnish capable of being abraded with pumice stone, and polished. It must be hard, comparatively brittle, must not soften with heat generated by friction, nor be affected by the water or oil used in the process and must be capable of receiving a high polish.

Polishing varnish is similar to rubbing varnish but is capable of receiving and retaining a high polish.

Flat varnish dries to a dull or semi-gloss finish and is used primarily to get the effect of rubbed work at a considerable less expense. Ordinarily interior varnish may be flattened by an addition of turpentine and paraffin but the life of the finish is thereby materially lessened. Many of the ready prepared flat varnishes contain wax and when used it should be with the fact borne in mind that wax is the only material with which they can be refinished, neither varnish nor paint adhering to a waxed surface.

Floor varnish should be elastic, should dry over night, and be ready for use in 48 hr. It should be tough and resistant to shock or abrasion, and not affected by moderate contact with moisture. Shellac is sometimes used as a floor varnish, but it is brittle, turns white on contact with water and has poor wearing qualities.

Tests for Varnish.—The testing of oil varnishes by analysis is not an entirely satisfactory way in which to judge quality. The present methods of analysis are not adequate to determine the relative amounts of the different gums nor to separate the tung oil and linseed oil. Moreover, the method of manufacture is to a large extent responsible for the quality of different varnishes even though composed of the same raw material.

A practical test for the physical qualities of varnish may be easily made. The color and flowing qualities may be noted from the sample. A coat of the varnish should then be applied to a dull black wood or metal panel, and the time noted that is required for it to dry hard. After two or three days it should be tested with steel wool or pumice stone for its rubbing qualities. After this coat is thoroughly dry a second coat of varnish should be applied and the luster noted. The wood or metal panel should then be placed in running water over night and later exposed to a stream of hot water, noting the effects. For elasticity, a sheet of glass should be coated and let dry for 5 days. The film may then be removed from the glass and its elasticity noted.

215. Standard Definitions of Terms Relating to Paint Specifications.—This is the title of a series of definitions adopted by the American Society for Testing Materials and issued under the Serial Designation D-16-15. Architects and other specifiers, and all users of paint and

allied products, should familiarize themselves with the terms and definitions in this document, which relate to various materials, processes, and methods of application. This together with all other documents of the American Society for Testing Materials is distributed to members, and may be obtained by others for a nominal sum from the Secretary at the Engineers' Club, 1319 Spruce St., Philadelphia.

The Paint Manufacturers Association of the U. S. in 1916 also adopted definitions and nomenclature to replace manufacturers titles or trade names in common use. These are consistent with the above mentioned standard definitions and are contained in Circ. No. 42 obtainable from the Secretary at the Bourse Building, Philadelphia.

216. Standard Formulas, Specifications, and Tests.—The U. S. Navy Department, as one of the largest consumers of paint and varnish in the country, has for many years conducted researches and investigations in connection with materials used by all the technical bureaus of the Navy Department. This work is done either individually or in cooperation and at the various Navy Yards. The results are not usually made public but the conclusions drawn therefrom are utilized in the frequent revisions of the "Navy Department Specifications" which are issued through the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, Washington, D. C. This bureau publishes an "Index to Specifications issued by the Navy Department for Navy Stores and Material" in which under classification 52 is listed the various standards and specifications for paints, alcohol, cements, and enamels (Navy Formulas), paint oils, pigments, pitch, rosin, tar, turpentine, and varnishes.

The U. S. Army, which during the war developed enormous requirements for paint and varnish, has since issued Catalogue No. 4, entitled "Paints and Varnishes," dated January 1919, which may be obtained from the Standardization Section, Purchase Branch of the Purchase, Storage and Traffic Division, Washington, D. C.

The American Society for Testing Materials has adopted and issued the following: Standard Specifications for Purity of Raw Linseed Oil from North American Seed, A.S.T.M. serial designation D1–15; Standard Specifications for Purity of Boiled Linseed Oil from North American Seed, A.S.T.M. serial designation D11–15; Standard Specifications for Purity of Raw Tung Oil, A.S.T.M. serial designation D12–16; Standard Specifications for Turpentine, A.S.T.M. serial designation D13–15; Standard Specifications for Paint Thinners other than Turpentine, A.S.T.M. serial designation D34–17; Standard Methods for Sampling and Analysis of Creosote Oil, A.S.T.M. serial designation 38–17; Tentative Tests for Analysis of Creosote Oil, A.S.T.M. serial designation D38–17T (to be added when adopted, to the Standard Methods for Sampling and Analysis of Creosote Oil).

217. Whitewash.—The Bureau of Lighthouses, Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C., issues a document which describes what is generally known as Government Formulas for Whitewash. A verbatim transcript is as follows:

The following formula for whitewashing has been found by experience to answer on wood, brick, and stone, nearly as well as oil paint, and is much cheaper: Slake half a bushel of unslaked lime with boiling water, keeping it covered during the process. Strain it and add a peck of salt, dissolved in warm water; 3 lb. of ground rice put in boiling water and boiled to a thin paste; half a pound of powdered Spanish whiting, and a pound of clear glue dissolved in warm water; mix these well together and let the mixture stand for several days. Keep the wash thus prepared in a kettle or portable furnace, and when used put it on as hot as possible, with painters or whitewash brushes.

The following simpler formula for mixing whitewash, when properly made and put on, gives a white that does not easily wash or rub off, viz.: To 10 parts of best freshly slaked lime add one part of best hydraulic cement; mix well with salt water and apply quite thin.

In Farmers' Bulletin No. 474 entitled "The Use of Paint on the Farm" obtainable from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C., will be found this and other formulas for whitewash including those to which color is added for tinting purposes.

BUILDING AND SHEATHING PAPERS, FELTS, QUILTS, MINERAL WOOL

By D. Knickerbacker Boyd

218. Uses.—It is desirable in certain forms of construction and in special locations to provide against the intrusion of dampness or cold, or to make the building more soundproof, by coverings or insulating materials known as building or sheathing papers, or felts, formed of a variety of materials, each being suited to a particular purpose or need.

The most frequent use for such material is on the outside of frame walls and under the roofing of a building. The material used with side walls need not be waterproof, but it should make the walls air-tight and vermin proof as well as give a certain amount of protection against heat and cold. This requirement calls for only the cheapest product, although more expensive kinds are made which possess waterproof qualities in addition to others and can be secured with but little more expense. For roofing paper under slate, metal, wood or other types of shingles, waterproofing qualities are essential. The type chosen depends upon local custom and the kind of roofing under which it is to be used.

Each of the above kinds of sheathing should be applied horizontally with a generous lap, and well nailed. If a heavy felt or quilt sheathing be placed on the side walls, lath should be nailed over it so as to provide a proper nailing ground for the plasterers' lath, for stucco, shingles, clapboards, or whatever the final covering may be.

Deadening felts or papers are mostly used under the flooring or in partitions to stop sound. Under flooring they are also an additional protection against vermin and form a more resilient bed for the finished floor, thus increasing its life.

219. Building Papers.—The most common covering or insulating materials are known as "building papers." They are merely rosin sized paper, put up in rolls usually 36 in. wide, carrying 500 sq. ft. to the roll and weighing from 18 to 40 lb. They are not waterproof, and are used only in the most inexpensive work, such as wall sheathing or between floors where they tend to keep out dust and wind, and are also some protection against heat and cold. They are also often used for temporary covering, and protection of floors or finished work during the erection of buildings.

220. Sheathing Papers.—Sheathing papers are of various kinds. The most common are made of heavy paper or rope stock saturated with a coal tar product. They are waterproof as well as affording protection against heat and cold and have all the other qualities of other building papers. There is some objection to them on account of their odor, but it is claimed that this makes them the more vermin proof and that the odor disappears after a short time.

Parchment papers are also used. These are odorless and have a smooth surface, are semi-transparent, and are water, air, and vermin proof.

Another form of sheathing paper is made of asbestos and is quite desirable on account of its fireproof qualities, as well as being vermin proof and odorless. Such papers vary in weight and thickness from very thin papers weighing only 4 lb. to the 100 sq. ft., and ⅛ in. in thickness. The 1/16, 3/32 and ⅛-in. thicknesses are used only where fireproofing is specially required, as around flues, chimneys, heat pipes, etc.

Sheathing papers are used in general for the better class of building as a protection on frame walls and are always used under slate, shingle, or metal roofing. While the other forms of protection which will be described are in general for the same purpose, each kind is particularly designed for a special form of protection.

221. Felt Papers.—Ordinary felt papers are mostly used for lining floors to render them more soundproof. Some few are made fireproof by means of chemicals, and in some cases an asphalt center is put in to make them waterproof. Felt papers are especially valuable as a deadening material. They are usually quite thick, and the better qualities are soft and pliable so as to form a cushion which aids in the interruption and breaking of sound waves.

Saturated felts are also used as a roof sheathing. They are made by saturating ordinary felt with a coal tar product. A dry saturated tarred felt is also made by running the material through heavy rollers or cylinders to give a hard smooth surface. This is mostly used as a slater's felt as it can be easily handled and the surface enables the roofer to lay out his slate courses on the paper with chalk lines.

Asbestos building felts are mostly used where fireproofing qualities are specially desired, but also offer protection against vermin, and have sound-deadening qualities.

222. Insulators and Quilts.—Numerous special types of insulating quilts combine all of the qualities of fireproofing and deadening as well as being vermin and air proof. One of the best known is made of thick layers of eel grass compressed in such a manner as to make a cushion full of air spaces, lined on either side with asbestos. The grass possesses certain qualities which makes it particularly repellant toward rats and vermin.

Another form of such insulator is made of thoroughly cleaned cattle hair, chemically treated, and stitched between two layers of asbestos. Still another consists of mineral wool, compressed, and lined with asbestos. A mineral wool insulator can also be secured with lining of building paper. A heat insulating quilt is manufactured especially for use in keeping out cold, ocnsisting of unbleached linen threads, chemically treated, and lined with

waterproof or asbestos paper on either side as required. Other forms of sheathing are made consisting of sound deadening materials compressed and put together in board form, but these are somewhat more expensive than the rolls.

223. Mineral Wool.—Mineral wool is one form of insulation of walls and particularly of over-hardening floors which is often used. This insulator is loose fibrous material manufactured from either slag or asbestos rock and resembling wool in appearance. It is sold in such form that it can be securely placed in the spaces provided.

In overhanging floors, the most common method is to put a false floor about 2 in. above the bottom of the joists and then put on about 2 in. of mineral wool, compress same and cover with 2 in. of cement or lime mortar to hold it in position. Mineral wool is especially good as an insulator to keep out heat, as in the walls of a cold room.

It should be mentioned that mineral wool if improperly packed settles and disintegrates. It must be carefully placed in position, and compressed in such manner as to be held in place, or its insulating sound proofing qualities will not be retained.

BUILDING HARDWARE

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The name hardware applies to such an innumerable array of commodities in every day use that to distinguish the "line" manufactured for use in buldings, the term *building hardware* is employed.

This designates the locks, hinges, pulls, checks, etc., for doors; the lifts, fasteners, pulleys, chain or cord, weights, etc., for windows; the catches, turns, drawer pulls, etc., for dressers; and the various articles suitable for casements, transoms, and other openings in buildings. It is customary in trade circles and among architects and builders to make a distinction between *rough hardware*, such as chain, cord, weights, door hangers, outside shutter and blind hardware, wire screens, etc., and *finishing hardware*, which, as the name implies, includes items, such as locks, knobs, bolts, lifts,transom openers, etc., applied to finished work.

224. Rough Hardware.—Sash cord for windows is made of several different materials and sizes and the same is true of sash chain. The latter can be obtained in steel (plain or coppered), in copper, and in bronze. Sash weights are made of iron or lead. Iron weights are those regularly furnished and are either round or square. Lead weights are used only where sash, when unglazed, are unusually heavy or where pulley boxes are too small to print proper size iron weights.

For shutters, various standard lines of hinges and bolts are commonly used, the type varying in accordance with the mill details and wall construction.

Door hangers cover a broad line of manufacture and are made in forms suitable for all styles of sliding doors for both inside and outside use. Headroom above the finished opening must be provided for the type of track, hangers, and brackets used.

225. Finishing Hardware.

225*a*. Material.—Bronze, brass, bronze-metal, and iron and white metal are the materials most commonly used. These are furnished either in cast or wrought metal. Cast goods are the heavier, more expensive, and in most cases preferable.

While the majority of finishing hardware items are made both cast and wrought, there are certain of them which it is impracticable to produce by both methods. For instance, most of the parts of transom adjusters are of wrought material, while transom centers are all cast. These may also be malleablized when cast in iron.

Cast goods are produced by pouring molten metal into molds, while nearly all wrought goods are stamped from metal sheets by dies.

225*b*. Color or Finish.—In bronze and brass, the regular produce has a highly polished surface, termed a "finish;" other finishes largely used when a high polish is not desired are termed dull bronze or brushed brass. The principal finishes are: oxidized copper, oxidized brass, oxidized silver, statuary bronze, and nickel and gold plate—each one of which is made in light, medium, and dark shades and with various surface effects too numerous to mention.

In specifying finishing hardware it is necessary, if solid metal is desired or required, to prefix the word "solid" before the metal intended,—as solid brass, solid bronze, or other solid nonferrous metal—except in the case of

bronze-metal, which is an alloy. Through long usage and trade custom the mere words brass, bronze, etc., unaccompanied by the word solid are taken to mean the finish which in such cases is plated on iron or steel as the case may be.

On iron and steel goods, the finishes commonly applied are: Japanned, lacquered, bronze, brass or nickel plate, oxidized copper, and white metal. The last is always furnished polished and has the appearance of nickel.

225*c*. General Types.—The war with Germany and the necessity for the conservation of every kind of metal emphasized the fact that fewer types of hardware should be made or carried in stock, that plainer patterns were desirable, and that the numerous finishes applied could be greatly reduced in number to the advantage of all concerned. Standards for simple types and a limited selection were developed by the U. S. War Industries Board; and one of the very sensible results has been the preparation by the Supervising Architect's Office of the Treasury Department of a specification illustrated by typical details to which any manufacturer may conform.

225*d*. Details to which Standard Hardware Can be Applied.—In 1917 several large hardware manufacturing concerns associated themselves in the issuance of a book with the title given to this paragrah. This should be used by all those making details for woodwork as "the information given covers the minimum requirements for hardware for the various types of doors and windows that have become standard in the class of work in which they are used. It is not intended to suggest any architectural or constructional design, the sole purpose being to fix required dimensions." Some of these details are also used to illustrate this section.

226. Locks.—Locks are made either *rim* or *mortise*. Rim locks are attached to the surface. Mortise locks are set in the door. Both types are subdivided into two groups—*bit keyed locks* and *cylinder locks*. Bit keyed locks, which are operated by keys with lobes on long shanks, may be 1, 2, 3, or 5 tumbler—the greater the number of tumblers, the wider the variety of key changes. Cylinder locks which are operated by flat keys with a serrated edge are all furnished with practically similar key mechanism, which permits the use of a single key for the operation of a front door lock, a rear door night latch, a desk lock, a trunk lock, or a padlock, and so on through the entire line. No two cylinder locks are made with same change key unless so ordered.

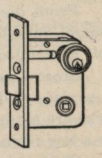


FIG. 79.—Cylinder mortise lock.

Many locks can be furnished *master keyed*—that is, a given lock having 100 or more different changes of key can be so constructed that a master key will operate all of the locks, no two of which are controlled by the same change key. In the best grade of bit keyed locks, as used on hotels or office buildings, it is possible to furnish all locks on a floor with a different change of key, a separate master key for all locks on the floor and a grand master key for the entire building. With locks of the cylinder type, this same feature is capable of a very considerable extension.

Rim and mortise locks are made in form and function to suit all types and kinds of doors. It is unnecessary to make extended mention of rim locks, aside from referring to night latches and cylinder types, as their use is largely confined to interior passage doors in the cheaper class of small houses, or unimportant doors in basements.

Night latches, both bit keyed and cylinder types, are made reversible or suitable for doors swinging in to right or left. When used on doors swinging out they must be made *reverse bevel*. Cases of locks are furnished Japanned, bronze plated, or oxidized copper.

Mortise locks are made either flat or rabetted front. If rabetted, the regular size of rabett is ½ in., small locks for thin French windows being made suitable for ⅜-in. rabett. If other sizes of rabett are detailed, the lock faces will have to be especially made entailing additional expense and possible delays.

The distance from face of lock to center of knob or key hole is called the backset. The backset of ordinary size locks varies from 2½ to 3 in., but 2¾ in. is standard (Fig. 79). Locks with special backsets are obtainable as special items, when French windows, and frequently passage doors, are made with stiles so narrow that standard locks cannot be used.

Flat faced locks are usually made reversible. Flat faced locks with bevelled faces and all rabetted locks are "handed" for either right or left doors (see Fig. 93, p. 1025). Faces of heavy doors must be bevelled to permit the door at closing point to swing free and fit snugly. Lock faces must be bevelled to fit door. Two standard bevels exist, but that most frequently used is ⅛ in. in 2 in.

The grade of many series of locks depends on number of tumblers and character of springs. The number of differing change keys to any one lock is determined in part by the number of tumblers and to the precision of their mechanism. Consequently, all three tumbler locks do not permit of an equal number of change keys. In fact, the variation is very great.

The spring employed in lock construction may be of the simplest flat wire variety—one such spring controlling latch and knob action—or a combination of fine phosphor bronze springs, one set controlling latch and another set the knob or lever handle. It is customary therefore to differentiate between a common spring lock as first indicated and an easy spring lock as last mentioned. An auxiliary spring on hub of lock is a feature added to easy spring locks when lever handles instead of knobs are employed.

With all cylinder locks, the cylinders vary in length to suit the various thicknesses of doors. Mortise cylinder locks of standard type cannot be used on doors less than 1⅜ in. in thickness, though thin locks are especially made.

Inside door locks or passage door locks vary in size and quality from a 3-in. 1-tumbler lock to a 6-in. 5-tumbler lock in bit keyed series, and through a wide range of size and function in cylinder locks. Locks having special functions are made for office buildings, etc. In addition, locks especially adapted for closets, cupboards, French windows, hinged sash, etc., are procurable in a variety of sizes to suit the working conditions.

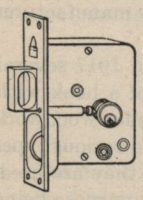


FIG. 80.—Cylinder mortise lock for sliding door.

Knob locks are constructed with a latch operated by a knob and a bolt operated by a key. Communicating locks have regular latch and either one or two bolts operated by thumb knobs. Those with one bolt are designed for use on doors to bath rooms, the two bolt lock on doors between rooms. The latest type includes a key action that prevents operation of bolts until key action is reversed.

Hotel locks are similar to knob locks but are made with two bolts, one operated on inside only by key, and the other on outside only by key.

Office door locks, usually of cylinder type, consist of a latch only that is so controlled by the stops in face of lock that outside knob can be operative or inoperative. In the latter case entrance is obtained by key. Exit from room is always possible as inside knob is at all times operative. When outside knob is inoperative, the door automatically locks on closing.

Locks for institutional use are functioned to accommodate particular needs as well as general conditions.

Front door locks for residence work are in effect a knob lock having the added feature of stop work in face to control outside knob. Key on outside operates both latch and bolt. On the inside knob is always operative and bolt controlled by a thumb knob.

Store door locks are a development of the old style lifting latches and mortise locks. The latch is incorporated in a plate and pull called for the sake of brevity, a handle. Two handles with the lock constitute a set. The locks are made in two main varieties, one with a latch operated by thumb piece of each handle and a bolt operated by a key from either side, the other similar with the added feature of *stop* in face controlling outside thumb piece.

Sliding doors are provided with a hook or split bolt operated by key from either side, and provided with a pull in face of lock, employed in pulling out, or shutting, the door. This pull remains within case of lock except when forced outward by a stop. The face is made in flat and astragal shape.

Dead locks have a bolt only and may be operated from one side only or both sides by key. A *dead bolt* is similar to a dead lock but bolt is operated from one side only by a turn knob.

A special type of lock and knob combination is manufactured which has the key-way and tumblers placed in the knob and which is completely assembled and attached to the door as a unit.

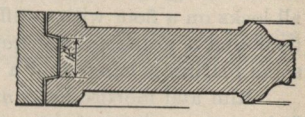


FIG. 81.—Double sliding doors with flat astrayal meeting stiles. The stile as shown is suitable for lock with standard backset.

Knobs, lever handles, and escutcheon plates for locks are made with both plain and ornamental surfaces—also in differing sizes and shapes. Round knobs for interior doors are usually 2¼ in. in diameter and for exterior entrance doors 2½ in. in diameter. For special purposes they are also made in 1½, 1¾, 2 and 3-in. diameters. Knobs are coupled by means of spindles either 5/16 or ⅜ in. square. Knobs and lever handles are attached to spindles by several methods.

For all locks having a stop in face, a split or swivel spindle is provided for the knob. This form has a joint at the center permitting operation of knob on one side when opposite side is made fast.

Auxiliary springs are frequently used in connection with lever handles to keep them in a normal position. This spring may be incorporated in lock or attached independently of lock. Lever handles of ornamental design are often necessarily "handed" for right or left doors.

An escutcheon may be either a combined rose and escutcheon or an escutcheon plate. The former is made of sufficient length to permit attachment screws to enter wood above and below case of lock and serves both as a rose for the knob and key plate for lock. When knobs are used with roses only, separate plate escutcheons are provided for the key hole. On thin wood doors 1⅜ in. or less, combined rose and escutcheon should be used as the mortise for lock leaves insufficient wood for secure attachment of key plate.

Glass is now frequently used in the construction of knobs and lever handles and furnished in many different designs, either pressed or cut.

227. Butts or Hinges.—These articles, the names of which are constantly used interchangeably, are spoken of in the trade by pairs—thus: one butt or hinge is "one-half pair," three are "one and one-half pairs."

The article itself consists of two "leaves" which, when folded open, are ordinarily equal in width to height and the stock sizes refer to the opened hinge. When projecting finish requires clearance for a door folded back, the width of the butt must be increased. Wherever possible, this should be accomplished by also increasing the height to avoid special hinges.

Hinges or butts are made with fast or loose pin, fast or loose joint, 3 or 5 knuckles, with or without washers and ball bearings. Loose joint and loose pin butts permit taking down of door without removal of hinges. Loose joint butts have but one knuckle or bearing point while loose pin butts have two or more. Consequently, loose joint butts are seldom used. Fast pin butts are employed where loose pin butts are impracticable, as in the case of transoms.



FIG. 82.—Fast pin butt.

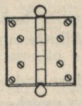


FIG. 83.—Loose pin butt.

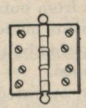


FIG. 84.—Ball bearing butt.



FIG. 85.—Spring butt hinges.

Bronze door butts are regularly made with steel bushings at all joints or bearing points, but can be had with exposed fiber washers, self-lubricating washers, or ball bearings at all joints. Sizes ordinarily run from 3 × 3 in. to 6 × 6 in. but larger sizes are produced. These butts are made in different weights—light, medium, heavy, and extra heavy—to accommodate differing weights and uses of doors. Sizes of butts are determined by the thickness of door and clearance required for trim or projecting caps of wainscots, etc., which should always be taken into consideration in determining sizes.

The pins of the butts in the heavier lines are so constructed as to prevent their working out of normal position and can be made so that removal is impossible except in one definite open position. This latter feature is of value on entrance doors opening out where hinges are exposed. Sizes under 3 × 3 in. are also furnished loose pin and fast joint but do not have washers and are made in different weights. Special types of hinges are made for water closet doors, double and single acting doors. W. C. hinges are made both for single acting and double acting doors. Springs in hinge, close door or hold open, as preferred.

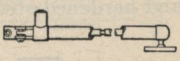


FIG. 86.—Automatic sash adjuster.

For single acting or double acting doors, there are three distinct types of hinges. One consists of a box in floor, containing a spring and also acting as a lower pivot, a top pivot being placed in overhead jamb. The second type involves practically the same idea but with a box or case attached to door. The third consists of a pair of spring hinges attached to door and jamb. The first type is called a floor hinge and is made with and without checking feature. The second is termed surface hinge and is not made with checking device. The third is known as jamb hinge. The first and second types hold door open when swung beyond an angle of 90 deg.

Ball bearing pivots of varying sizes are regularly made for very heavy doors that are not actively used—as bronze entrance doors.

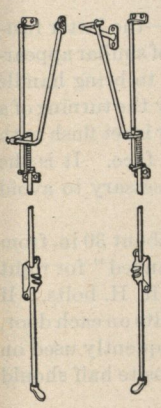


FIG. 87.—Transom lifters.

228. Adjusters.—Adjusters for use on casement windows, consist of a pivoted or grooved supporting plate, through which or in which a rod operates, one end of which is screwed to casement rail, the supporting plate being attached to window frame. They serve to hold casement windows open at any desired angle. One, working on the friction principle, is known as an automatic adjuster (Fig. 86). Special devices are made, known as the concealed type, which involve a gear case in frame directly under heel of window and connecting with window by a pivot bearing through frame. A handle attached to casing, having a spindle extending through gear case completes the device. A similar outfit is made for outside shutters, the gear case being attached to sill on outside just under line of shutter and connected with shutter by a curved arm. With either of these adjusters, operation is effected without the necessity of opening screens or windows.

Adjusters for use on transoms, sometimes termed transom lifters (Fig. 87), consist ordinarily of rods moving through brackets—the latter screwed to casing—an arm from rod connecting with bracket attached to transom rail. Transoms can be hung on butts at top or bottom or on pivots on side or at top and bottom. The size and length of rod varies with the height required. The standard sizes run ¼, 5/16, ⅜, and ½-in. diameter, and from 3 to 6 ft. or more in length. The material is wrought, not cast.

A concealed operator for transoms is also made, the only visible portion being the operating handle. This article is similar in mechanism to the concealed casement and shutter operator but in form quite different. The device consists of a unit plate concealed in and attached to casing to which is fastened a gear case. A toothed rod passes through gear case and connects with levers that are fastened to a pivot bearing. This bearing extends from the unit plate to heel of transom. The gear case is located near bottom of unit plate and plate is made of such length as to bring handle which enters gear case, about 5 ft. from floor. To permit use of concealed adjusters, work must be detailed in accordance with requirements.

Transom centers are designed for sash pivoted at sides or at top and bottom. When vertically pivoted, the lower and top rail of sash is usually rabetted and requires a center to fit rabett and also sash. These are regularly made suitable for ½-in. rabett and in varying widths to suit sash from 1½ to 2½ in. in thickness. They are also made with corrugated washers, capable of a friction adjustment and serve to hold sash open at any desired angle.

Chain door fasteners permit a partial opening of door, but door must be completely closed to release fastening. Therefore it cannot be tampered with from outside.

Door stops of either wood or metal are made for attachment to baseboard and also to floor. When attachment is made to marble, concrete, etc., expansion bolts are required. All are equipped with rubber bumpers, and some metal stops have hooks to hold door open.

Door holders are attached to door, operated by the foot, and hold door at any point of its swing.

Door checks are attached to door or to a bracket screwed to overhead jamb, made generally in six regular sizes, and act as door closers. A checking device is incorporated that prevents slamming without detracting from power.

229. Window Pulleys.—Window pulleys are made with three distinct kinds of bearings. The least expensive consists of a plain axle through wheel riveted to pulley case, and termed noiseless.

The roller bearing or anti-friction style is made with a series of round steel pins encircling axle and in which axle revolves. Ball bearings as the name implies consist of a ball retainer and hardened steel balls set in both sides of case to receive axle. Faces of pulleys are either square or round end and are made either of finished nonferrous metal or Japanned, galvanized, or plain iron for painting. Wheels are made 1¾, 2, 2¼, 2½, and 3 in. in diameter and are either cast metal or stamped. Pulleys with 2¼-in. wheel are recommended size for average good work. Wheels for cord have a round groove, and for chain a square groove.

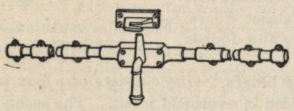


Fig. 88.—Cremorne bolts.

230. Bolts.—Many varieties of bolts are made both in the rim and mortise types.

Extension bolts are so termed on account of having detachable bolt head—the latter fastened to rods of varying lengths. This permits the use of a top and bottom bolt of similar appearance but of differing lengths. Rod for top bolt should be of sufficient length to bring handle of bolt about 5 ft. from floor. This particular kind of bolt may be operated by the turning of a knob, by the slide of a knob, or by operation of a lever. In the latter case, lever is set flush with surface of bolt plate and can therefore be used on edge of door as well as on face. It is the proper type for use on folding doors or in any case where it is desirable or necessary to avoid projection beyond surface of door.

Cremorne bolts extend full length of door, operated by a handle located about 30 in. from floor and fastens door both at top and bottom (Fig. 88). The bolts are "handed" for right and left doors. Doors hinged on right hand side as seen from inside require R. H. bolts. If hinged on left hand side, a L. H. bolt. Pairs of doors with flat faces require bolts on each door, but if doors are rabetted, one bolt is sufficient. In the latter case, a bolt is frequently used on each door for uniformity of appearance. If one cremorne bolt is used, the opposite half should have extension bolts.

Instead of being rabetted, double doors are more and more frequently being made with an astragal or mold which, secured to one door and overlapping the other, accomplishes the purpose of a rabett, namely, to avoid an open joint and yet allows the faces of the doors to accommodate themselves to regular or standard hardware.

Espagnolette bolts are designed for hinged sash occurring singly or in pairs. They fasten at top, bottom, and center and are made right and left-hand.

Special types, known as "Panic" bolts, are manufactured for use on doors leading from places of public assemblage and are so designed that pressure from the inside will liberate the mechanism.

Chain bolts, foot bolts, neck bolts, barrel bolts, etc., are too well known for more than casual mention.

231. Miscellaneous Hardware.—Coat and hat hooks, towel or regalia hooks, wardrobe hooks, and wire hooks are made in many sizes and shapes. Push plates are made in glass as well as metal.

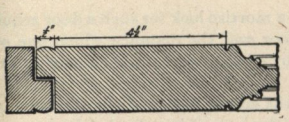


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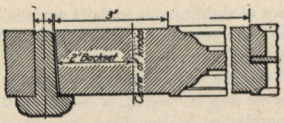


FIG. 90.

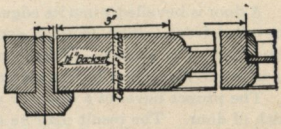


FIG. 91.

FIG. 89.—Double interior doors with rabbetted meeting stiles using bit-keyed lock for locks with standard backsets; stiles should not be less than 4½ in. on narrow side.

FIG. 90.—Double narrow stile doors with flat astragal meeting stiles using cylinder lock front beveled ⅛ in. in 2 in.; regular backset 2 in.; the stiles should be not less than 3 in. Narrower backsets may be had on special order at an additional price.

FIG. 91.—Double narrow stile doors with flat astragal meeting stiles using bit-keyed lock with flat front, not beveled. Regular backset 1½ in. The stiles should be not less than 3 in.; other backsets may be had on special order at an additional price. For thicker doors, locks with beveled fronts may be had on special order at an additional price.

Cupboard turns, screen door catches, drawer pulls, drop handles, shutter knobs, sash lifts, sash fasts, push buttons, letter-box plates, push plates, door pulls are all essentially necessary items in any building installation too numerous and generally understood to require especial mention.

When hardware is required for metal construction, it is necessary to furnish machine screws for purposes of attachment and to make all the items conform in size and location of screw holes to an exact standard. Templates of each item of hardware involved should be sent to sash and door manufacturer, as a guide in mortising and drilling.

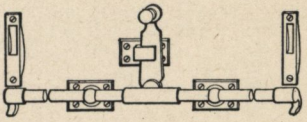


FIG. 92.—Espagnolette bolt.

232. "Hand" and Bevel of Doors.—The "hand" of a door is always determined from the outside. The "outside" is the street side of an entrance door, and the corridor side of a room door. The "outside" of a communicating door, from room to room, is the side from which,

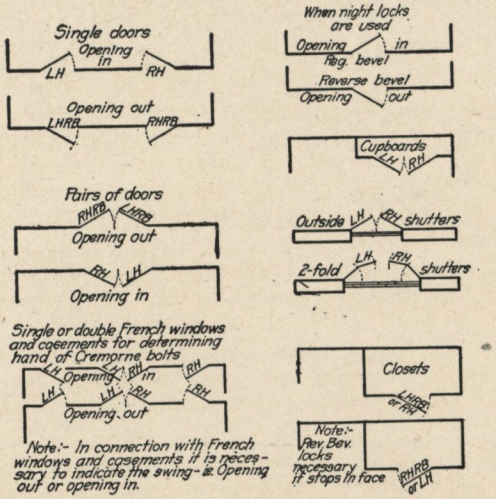


FIG. 93.

when the door is closed, the butts are not visible. The "outside" of a pair of twin doors (doors hung on both sides of a single opening) is the space between them.

The "outside" of a closet door is the room side, thus reversing the rule which applies in other cases. The foregoing definitions apply to sliding doors as well as to hinged doors.

If, standing outside of a door, the butts are on the right, it is a right-hand door; if on the left, it is a left-hand door. This, however, does not apply to casement sashes and outside blinds or shutters, where the point of view is assumed to be from the inside instead of the outside.

A door is bevelled when its edge is not at right angles with its surface, and a mortise lock for such a door requires a bevelled front. This bevel is expressed by stating the thickness of the door and the distance which one edge drops back of the other. Two standards exist for bevels, one being ⅛ in. in 2 in., and the other being ⅛ in. in 2¼ in.—the former, as before stated, being the one most generally used.

The proper bevel of a door, or whether any is needed, is determined by the size of butt and the thickness and width of door. The result may be accomplished by bevelling the edge of the door, or, if its edge is left square, by leaving sufficient clearance between the door and its jamb. If the door is of fair width, and if the butt does not need to be very wide (to clear the architrave or other projections), it will be found that a square edge may be used without resort to an unduly open joint, thus permitting the use of a lock with regular front. The use of beveled front locks should be avoided where no real need for them exists.

If, standing outside, the door opens from you or inward, it takes a lock with a regular bevel; if opening outward, it takes a lock with reverse bevel.

As cupboard and bookcase doors always open out, locks for such doors are regularly made with reverse bevel bolts; therefore, as to such locks, it is unnecessary to specify "reverse bevel." The accompanying diagrams (Fig. 93) illustrate clearly the above descriptions, the abbreviations being R. H.—right-hand; L.H.—left-hand; Reg. Bevel—regular bevel; and R.B.—reverse bevel.

PART II

ESTIMATING AND CONTRACTING

SECTION 1

ESTIMATING STEEL BUILDINGS

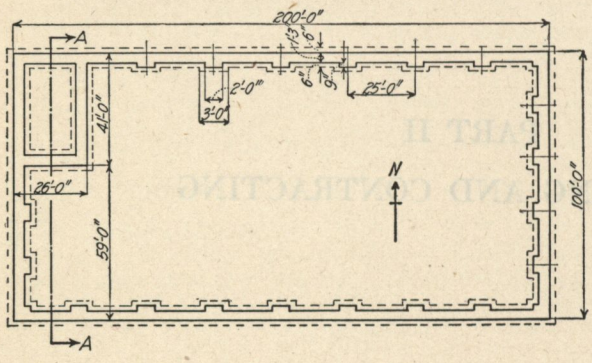
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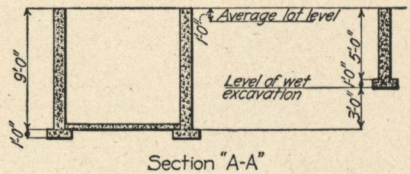
The object of this chapter is to outline the considerations which go to make up actual costs. Where unit costs appear, they can be used intelligently only as a criterion since it is not possible to establish even approximate prices for building operations in this day of radical market changes.

What is given under this heading applies directly to the estimating of simple factory buildings having a structural steel frame without fireproofing, but the methods described and considerations involved pertain to high office and other buildings of structural steel. Much may be learned from this chapter as regards estimating in general. Estimating of concrete footings, concrete floors, etc., is not considered, as the same rules apply as in the chapter following.

The item "material" in estimates usually includes all expenses incident to placing building materials at the site. Under the item "labor" is included all estimated field payroll expenditures. When carload shipments are estimated, "labor" includes unloading expense.

1. General Inspection of Building Site.—The consideration of the building site, with respect to the speedy and economical handling of materials from cars to their respective places in the finished building, is a most important one in the mind of the experienced building estimator. A large percentage of the jobs showing a loss to the contractor can be attributed to the lax consideration of the site. Two items are to be considered—railroad delivery and material storage facilities. Without proper consideration of both of these conditions, the cost of each and every operation in the entire building may exceed the estimated allowance.





Section "A-A"

FIG. 1.—Foundation plan (interior piers omitted).

Materials are often bought in team lots delivered at the site when there is no switch track located on the building premises. The costs of materials delivered by team by local dealers—particularly large quantities of bulk materials, such as cement, sand, stone, brick, steel, and lumber—are usually compared with the cost f.o.b. cars, plus the teaming from track to site. These costs can be determined locally for each instance.

Sufficient available storage space to take care of the usual necessary material on hand at the building site means a great deal to the construction superintendent. The difference in cost between a job run under these conditions, and a job where, due to lack of room, materials are in the way of operations, has frequently eaten up the estimated profit. The work must run along smoothly or the superintendent will be unable to meet the estimate. The method for pricing labor operations to be carried on under crowded conditions is usually to allow for the increase in the unit price of each operation rather than attempt to enter a lump sum item in the estimate.

It is usually practical while at the site to investigate the local wages of the several building trades and also make note of the general labor situation. Lot levels, if omitted on drawings by designing engineer, should be obtained and placed on drawings by the estimator. Present incumbrances on site should be noted, also such details as building permits, street obstruction permits, water permits, etc.

2. Sample of Estimate for Foundation.—The following estimate of the cost of a building foundation (with the exception of the concrete work which is taken up in the section following) is given to illustrate the general form for listing, pricing, and extending the various units:

FORM OF GENERAL ESTIMATE

	Quantity	Price	*A* extension	*B* totals
General conditions:				
Railroad track adjacent to building.				
B. & O. delivery.				
Adequate space for storing materials.				
Water furnished by owner.				
Nature of soil—sand, water present 5 ft. below ground level.				
Cinders for filling can be procured for a switching charge of 50c. per cu. yd.				
Owner takes out all permits except street obstruction permits.				
Site is clear.				
Dry excavation—Foundation walls:	309 cu. yd.	$1.10	340—	
North: 1 wall $174^0 \times 3^3 \times 4^0$ 2,262				
North: 1 footg $174^0 \times 2^3 \times 1^0$ 392				
South: 1 wall $200^0 \times 3^3 \times 4^0$ 2,600				
South: 1 footg $200^0 \times 2^3 \times 1^0$ 450				
East: 1 wall $100^0 \times 3^3 \times 4^0$ 1,300				
East: 1 footg $100^0 \times 2^3 \times 1^0$ 225				
West: 1 wall $59^0 \times 3^3 \times 4^0$ 767				
West: 1 footg $59^0 \times 2^3 \times 1^0$ 133				
All walls: 19 pils. $3^0 \times 0^9 \times 5^0$ 214				
Labor at 1.10 8,343				
Dry excavation—Boiler pit:	250 cu. yd.	1.00	250—	
1 pc. $45^0 \times 30^0 \times 5^0$ 6,750				
Labor at 1.00				
Wet excavation—Boiler pit:	200 cu. yd.	2.00	400—	
1 pc. $45^0 \times 30^0 \times 4^0$ 5,400				
Backfill:	258 cu. yd.	.50	129—	
N. wall: 2 pcs. $174^0 \times 1^0 \times 4^0$ 1,392				
S. wall: 2 pcs. $200^0 \times 1^0 \times 4^0$ 1,600				
E. wall: 2 pcs. $100^0 \times 1^9 \times 4^0$ 800				
W. wall: 2 pcs. $59^0 \times 1^0 \times 4^0$ 472				
Pit: 2 pcs. $30^0 \times 2^0 \times 9^0$ 1,080				
Pit: 2 pcs. $45^0 \times 2^0 \times 9^0$ 1,620				
6,964				
Floor fill required:	175 cu. yd.	2.00	350—	
1 pc. $197^6 \times 97^6 \times 1^0$ 19,256				
Outs:				
19 pils. $2^0 \times 0^9 \times 1^0$ 29				
1 pit. $24^9 \times 39^9 \times 1^0$ 984 1,013				
18,243				
Surplus excavation—Spreading and tamping:	501 cu. yd.	.50	251 —	
Dry excavation (walls) 8,343				
Dry excavation (pit) 6,750				
Wet excavation (pit) 5,400				
20,493				
Less backfill 6,964 13,529				
4,714				
Shoring to boiler pit:	600 pcs.	.60	360—	
600 piles $2 \times 6 \times 7$ 4,200				
10% waste 420				
4,620				
Material 7 ft. at 6ct. = 0.42				
Labor = 0.18				
0.60				
Pumping and bailing:				
Setting pump.	Allow		50—	
Set and connect 55 well points.	55 pcs.	.50	28—	
				2,158

The estimator should bear in mind that the proposal tendered the prospective customer is based on the estimate, and when the obligations of either the owner or the contractor are in doubt, the contractor's assumption should be noted on the estimate so that it can later appear in the proposal. This is especially important in connection with miscellaneous items, such as water, permits, clearing site, etc.

In listing quantities no attempt is made for extreme refinement. Full length of wall for excavation on each side of the building is listed. Although the corners overlap, this is good practice for this class of work and goes to offset the irregularities incident to construction. Note that on account of the difference in unit costs for dry and wet excavation for boiler pit, this item has been separated into two parts. Extensions are figured to the nearest dollar. Columns A and B provide a means for grouping the operations of the different trades in the event that it is desirable to have these costs convenient for reference.

As the costs of transporting, unloading, and reloading equipment are the same for large or small quantities of work, and it is always desirable to keep unit costs on a comparative basis, all equipment is grouped on a Tool List and entered later in the estimate. The costs for handling equipment is then approximated direct from this list.

The take-off should also be made up so that every item may be readily identified (note column at left edge of sample estimate). A large percentage of designs are changed and require re-estimating; for this reason much time and inconvenience may be minimized.

3. Clearing Site.—It is well to have this item appear in the estimate even though no expense need be estimated. A detailed discussion of the estimating for expense of clearing site is hardly practicable due to the great variance of obstructions encountered.

4. Excavation.—The unit cost of excavating is governed by the kind of soil and the amount of water present. Using as a basis the cost of handling a firm, dry soil, the unit price may have to be increased: (1) for handling wet excavation, (2) when excavating through a re-fill of miscellaneous building debris that cannot be spaded, (3) when depth of excavating requires relays from platforms, usually about 6 ft. apart, and (4) when sand or other material with little or no self-retaining properties is present.

All different kinds of excavating should be listed separately to allow for the convenient use of varying unit prices. These excavating conditions having been established by the general inspection, the unit price must be fairly accurate. Similarly, when estimating caissons for heavy buildings, general inspection should determine whether ordinary well or pneumatic methods are to be estimated.

The steam shovel is usually estimated for making large cuts where surplus excavation must be hauled away. The excavating and loading is then accomplished by one operation.

5. Shoring.—Aside from the increased costs of excavating operations, it is often necessary to provide temporary support for earth walls. The costs of wood shoring are developed similar to costs of shores or forms for concrete work, and reference should be made to the next chapter for details. The salvage is usually very small and, unless a second use for the lumber is predetermined, the total cost of the material is usually charged.

6. Pumping and Bailing.—Pumping and bailing are generally figured separately for each pit, basement, or other unit. The approximate amount of water to be encountered, the nature of the soil and work to be carried on, serve to determine the most practical kind of equipment. The estimator can readily develop an accurate allowance for the material by keeping in mind the equipment he has available. The material unit usually consists of fuel unless the necessary pumps are not at hand, in which case rental will greatly increase the amount to be estimated. The labor unit would include the setting and maintenance of pumps.

7. Backfill.—Backfill includes the cost for refilling the oversize excavation made to allow for concrete forms, etc. The quantities can be listed from the drawings. The estimated cost per cubic yard usually runs about 50 % less than the excavating unit, as the ground is well broken up and invariably the original material excavated is close at hand.

8. Disposal of Surplus Excavation.—The construction of the substructure will generally net a yardage of surplus excavation, the disposition of which depends upon the level of the floor area. Ground levels are taken by dividing the entire surface into squares and reading the rod at the corner of every square. These levels will then determine whether it is necessary to estimate either the grading or the filling of the lot. Should the site be low, the surplus excavation is usually estimated to be spread in addition to such fill as must be procured elsewhere. The source and cost of this additional fill must be the result of investigation of local conditions.

Should the lot levels prove to be high, the disposition of surplus excavation must be considered in the estimate.

9. Structural Steel.—Structural steel costs are frequently listed in the General Contract estimate in summarized form under the headings—*Material* and *Erection*. Material includes estimated expense incident to manufacture and delivery at the job site. Erection includes expense estimated to unload, erect, and paint structural steel, as well as all erecting equipment costs.

Structural steel costs are based on weight. The following practice to be used for the invoicing of bridges, buildings, and other structures, has been adopted by the *Structural Steel Society* as representing standard practice to be followed in all cases where other provisions are not made in the contract or specifications. These items have a direct bearing on the price and should therefore be of assistance to the estimator.

Weights.—Structural steel sold at a unit price per pound, hundred weight, or ton, shall be invoiced on estimated, theoretical weights, based on the detail drawings and shop bills, using

(*a*) Rectangular dimensions for all plates.

(*b*) Overall lengths for all structural shapes, and making no allowance for the weight of copings, clippings, millings, punchings or borings.

Overrun.—To the theoretical weight of all sheared plates, there shall be added an allowance for overrun in weight, calculated from, and equivalent to, the percentage of overrun provided for in the Manufacturers' Standard Specifications for structural steel dated April 21, 1914.

Rivets.—All shop rivets used in the structure shall be invoiced at the following average weights:

(*a*) Rivets ½ in. diameter— 20 lb. per 100 rivets.
(*b*) Rivets ⅝ in. diameter— 30 lb. per 100 rivets.
(*c*) Rivets ¾ in. diameter— 50 lb. per 100 rivets.
(*d*) Rivets ⅞ in. diameter—100 lb. per 100 rivets.
(*e*) Rivets 1 in. diameter—125 lb. per 100 rivets.
(*f*) Field rivets to be invoiced at actual weights.

Paint.—To the total weight of the structural steel, as determined by the above methods, there shall be added an allowance for the weight of the paint, of 8 lbs. per ton of structural steel, for each coat.

Field Rivets and Bolts.—In furnishing a bill for structural steel for any structure, where no provision to the contrary is made, the fabricating shop will furnish the following rivets or bolts for field purposes.

(*a*) *If the structure rivets in the field*, the fabricating shop will furnish sufficient rivets of suitable size, plus 10% allowance for waste, for all field connections, steel to steel; but will furnish no bolts, except for such connections as it will not be possible to rivet.

(*b*) *If the structure bolts in the field*, the fabricating shop will furnish sufficient bolts, of suitable size, plus 5% allowance for waste, for all field connections, steel to steel, but will furnish no rivets.

(*c*) *No miscellaneous carpentry* or masonry bolts will be furnished by the fabricating shop in any case, unless by special provision, for connecting in the field, wood to steel, wood to wood, or wood to stone, etc.

(*d*) *Erection, or fitting up bolts*, for the use of the steel erector, are considered as being erection equipment and will not be furnished by the fabricating shop, unless by special provision.

The first step in estimating structural material is to carefully examine drawings and if odd, unobtainable sections appear in any of the members, a redesign is made, using stock on hand. In the designing of structural steel, sections can frequently be slightly changed to conform to material in stock without incurring any disadvantage. This redesigning is seldom necessary when estimating mill deliveries.

The sequence of listing members in the take-off is about the same as that for erection. The main units are always listed first.

An approximation must be made of the weights of many of the details, as in general practice these may not appear on the design drawings. This part of the estimating must necessarily be done by one familiar with structural fabrication. When minor members appear in quantity, the exact dimensions are usually developed.

The majority of shops do not have their own foundries for furnishing castings but as cast iron is used extensively in many standard shapes in conjunction with structural steel, it can be conveniently and economically purchased with the steel. The most commonly used castings are generally kept in stock.

Starting with columns of which there may be several of similar design and construction—except for minor details, such as punching, small connecting angles, etc.—the materials are listed first for one column and the weights multiplied by the total number of duplicate columns.

If two or more types of columns appear in the design, there will be as many detail lists of material. Each list is multiplied by the total number of columns of that type.

As the main sections of columns or other members contribute most of the estimated weight, the lengths of main members should be figured with some degree of accuracy.

The percentages used for estimating the weights of details on members of common construction are approximately as follows:

	Rivets	Details
Beams	1%	*
Roof trusses	3%	15 to 20%
Girders	5%	10%
Latticed columns	3%	10 to 15%
Plate columns	4%	10%
Girts	3%	10%

* Beam details vary considerably. Weights of standard connections are readily obtainable.

These are average values developed by prewar conditions. While the actual percentages of rivets and details have not increased, market conditions have effected the methods for estimating values so that frequently a general approximation of 4% of all members is made to determine weight of rivets, and the weight of details is taken at 20% of all main members.

DETAIL TAKE-OFF

No. of pcs.	Size	Length	Weight per lin. ft.	Is, [s	Ls	Small Ls	Plates	Flats	Rivets	Totals
	20 Trusses Tl									
4	Ls 5 × 3½ × 5/16	40.9	8.7	.....	1,425					
2	Ls 3½ × 3 × ⅜	81.5	7.9	.....	1,290					
2	Ls 2½ × 2 × ¼	2.0	3.7	.....	.....	15				
2	Ls 2 × 2 × ¼	6.3	3.2	.....	.....	40				
2	Ls 2½ × 2½ × 5/16	8.7	5.0	.....	.....	85				
2	Ls 2¼ × 2¼ × 5/16	6.2	4.5	.....	.....	55				
2	Ls 2½ × 2½ × 5/16	8.9	5.0	.....	.....	90				
4	Ls 3 × 3 × ¼	8.3	4.9	.....	165					
2	Ls 2 × 2 × ¼	7.6	3.2	.....	.....	50				
2	Ls 2½ × 2 × ¼	4.0	3.7	.....	.....	30				
	Details 20%	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	650			
	Rivets 3%	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	115	
	Weight of one truss	.....	.....	.....	2,880	365	650	.....	115	4,010
	Weight of 20 trusses	.....	.....	.....	57,600	7300	13,000	.....	2,300	80,200
	Floor beams									
40	Is 10″ at 25 #	16.0	.....	16,000						
80	Std. Conn. 10″ I	.....	.....	.....	1,280					
6	Is 12″ at 31½ #	20.0	.....	3,780						
6	Ls 3 × 3 × ½	19.5	9.4	.....	1,100					
8	Bars 6 × ½	19.5	10.2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1590		
12	Std. Conn. 12″ I	.....	.....	.....	275					
	Rivets 1%	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	240	
				19,780	2,655	.....	.....	1590	240	24,265
	Totals			19,780	60,255	7300	13,000	1590	2,540	104,465

The tabulation of the weight extensions as practiced in the above take-off is made necessary by the different mill costs of sections. The general classification of common sections according to price per hundredweight is as follows:

Shapes	Size	Price
I-beams and channels	3 to 15″ inclusive	Base
Large I-beams	Over 15″	Plus 10c.
Angles	3 to 6″ on one or both legs by ¼″ thick or more	Base
Large angles	Over 6″ on one or both legs	Plus 10c.
Tees	3″ and over	Plus 5c.
Zees	3″ and over	Base
H-columns		Plus 10c.
Light section beams		Plus 5c.

Bars and Bar Sizes	Size	Price
Rounds and squares	¾ to 3″	Base
Rounds and squares	Other than ¾ to 3″	Varies
Flats	1 to 6″ wide by ⅜ to 1″ thick	Base
Flats	Other sizes	Varies
Small angles	Under 3″ on one or both legs	Varies
Small channels	Under 3″	Varies
Tees	Equal leg tees under 3″	Varies

Plates	Size	Price
Plates	¼″ and heavier up to 72″ wide	Base
Plates	3/16″ under 72″ wide	Plus 10 c.
Wide plates	¼″ over 72″ but under 100″ wide	Plus 10c.
Wide plates	¼″ and heavier 100″ or more wide	Plus 30c.

In addition to the above extras, there may be cutting charges which, however, are a direct fabricating expense and are included in the estimate of shop labor. The costs noted above represent the mill prices of the different sections and from a fabricator's standpoint are a material cost.

The summarizing of the material listed in the take-off is simply the extending of each class at the unit price. The difference in cost between mill and stock deliveries occurs in these prices. The margin for stock delivery is generally about $15 per ton.

The estimate, after adding the approximated costs of manufacturing and transportation, will have the following general form:

FORM OF STEEL ESTIMATE

			Lb.		Unit price per cwt.		
		Is, [s	19,780	at	2.45		
20 trusses Tl	80,200	Ls	60,255		2.45	2,139.71	
Floor beams	24,265	Small Ls	7,300		2.45		
	104,465 lb.	Plates	13,000		2.65	344.50	
		Flats	1,590		2.35	37.37	
		Rivets	2,540		3.75	95.25	
		Shop paint	104,465		.05	52.23	$2669.06
		Freight at 18c. per cwt. plus 3% tax					193.68
		Shop labor at $15 per ton				780.00	
		Drawings at $2 per ton				104.00	
						884.00	
		Administration, insurance, and overhead, 100%				884.00	1768.00
		Manufacturing cost, f.o.b. destination, mill basis					$4630.74
		104,465 lb. at 75c. per cwt.					783.49
		Manufacturing cost, f.o.b. destination, stock basis					$5414.23

In connection with freight rates which can easily be procured from railroad freight offices, a reduction based on milling in transit may sometimes be estimated. For instance, in case of a structure estimated for mill shipment, a rate may be frequently used based on hauling steel

from mills to building site plus an increase for what may be called a stop-over privilege at the point where material is to be fabricated. This rate would affect a saving over the combined freight rates from mills to fabricating shops and fabricating shop to destination.

Under the present tariff regulations the stop-over privilege is limited to one year after receipt of inbound property at fabricating point and the cost for this privilege is 1½c. per hundredweight.

The following sample of estimate of shop fabricating costs will give an idea of the increased values as well as a general method for computing:

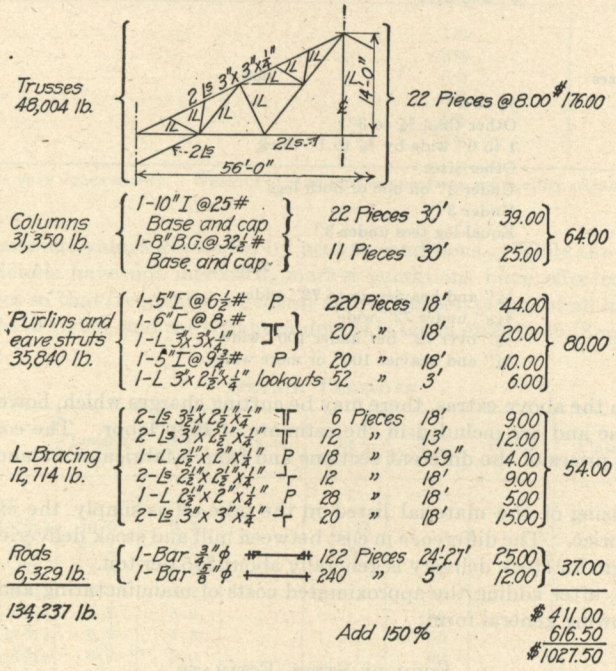


FIG. 2.

The unit costs used have not been raised to parallel increased labor and operating expenses, such as now exist, but are held to the same basis as the shop records of the last four to five years. It will be seen that 150% is added to the total cost to bring it up to date. The letter "P" denotes plain material incurring only cutting and punching expense. Sections are sketched opposite the various items to make the general assembly immediately apparent to the person in charge of pricing. The costs as given include all operations of measuring, laying out, templets, etc.

Costs of shop drawings are generally approximated by the ton of steel and may run from $0.50 to $10 per ton. Like the fabricating costs, these are governed largely by the amount of duplication in the members fabricated.

Assuming that the unit costs used when pricing material are based on mill shipments, it may be desirable to arrive at the estimated cost for delivery out of stock. An item covering this difference is then entered in the estimate as has been done in the above case.

10. Erection of Structural Steel.—A thorough inspection of site and local conditions must be made before starting to estimate. Power usually plays a great part in the erection of the steel and if it can be obtained cheaply in the form of steam or compressed air, notations to that effect are made on the estimate sheet, a sample of which follows:

No compressed air or steam available at site.

Equipment		
Unload and reload	allow	$ 150.00
Setting and dismantling derrick (10 ton 70 ft. boom)	allow	170.00
Moving	allow	50.00
Steel		
Unloading—300 tons at 1.00		300.00
Bulling—300 tons at 1.00 (70 ft.)		300.00
Erecting—300 tons at 8.00		2,400.00
Plumbing	allow	50.00
Rivets—300 tons, 20 per ton = 6,000 rivets at 15c		900.00
Bolts—300 tons, 3 per ton = 900 bolts at 7c		63.00
Paint—300 tons at 1.50		450.00
Superintendent—5 weeks at 60.00		300.00
Engineer—5 weeks at 50.00		250.00
		$5,383.00
Workmen's and Liability insurance, 20%		1,076.60
		$6,459.60

Railroad fares—4 men, 2 ways at 4.00		$ 32.00	
Freight on tools and equipment—2 cars, 2 ways at 20.00		80.00	
Coal for raising 300 tons steel	8.0 tons		
Coal for driving 6000 rivets	12.0 tons		
	20.0 tons at 6.00	120.00	
Paint—120 gal. at 3.50		420.00	
Miscellaneous lumber		30.00	682.00
			$7141.60

Add percentage for overheads, business generals, and depreciation of tools.

As the insurance is based on payroll expenditure, it is necessary to segregate all field payroll items. The estimated equipment costs must necessarily be based on the proper kind of apparatus for the type of structure to be erected. Stiff-leg and guy derricks are most commonly seen on building erection. The term "bulling" is used to indicate moving or dragging structural steel with crow bars, dolly rollers, or other make-shift methods when the haul is not long enough to justify teaming or other more regular methods of transporting.

The cost of setting up a stiff-leg derrick on the ground under favorable conditions will run from about $125 for a 70 to 85-ft. boom, 10-ton rig, to $300 for a 100-ft. boom, 20-ft. outrigger, 25-ton capacity derrick. The comparative cost for setting up a 95-ft. boom, 15-ton capacity guy derrick, with minimum of six 1-in. cable guys is from $200 to $250. An 85-ft. steel gin pole on the same basis would cost about $80. These costs are based on a wage of 87½c. an hour. 50% should be added for dismantling. ¾-in. diameter field rivets in factory buildings run from 12 to 15c. a piece. Simplified scaffolding and concentrated rivets as are common in bridge work or heavy loft buildings will tend to decrease these costs considerably. Labor costs for bolting are from ½ to ⅓ those for riveting.

The painting of structural steel is approximated by the ton of material to be covered. Light weight steel will net additional and more scattered surfaces than heavy construction. Extra scaffolding often raises the price 300 %. Proportions for material and labor noted in above estimate are for medium weight shop buildings.

The estimated quantity of coal depends in turn upon the estimated tonnage and the number of field rivets. For the first type of structure noted in the accompanying table, the coal would probably figure at the ratio of one ton for every 50 tons of steel, plus one ton for every 400 to 600 rivets depending upon the proper number of riveting gangs. When only one gang is working, 50 % more coal is consumed.

An item covering railroad fares for such workmen as cannot be procured at the site is usually entered in the estimate. This item is mostly a matter of judgment of general building conditions and in unfavorable building localities it may even be necessary to allow for the costs of commissaries and bunk houses.

Expense due to planking and use of timbers must be foreseen by the estimator. Particularly in connection with high loft building erection is temporary planking necessary around

the derricks and at floors where smaller members are piled and sorted. Timbers are usually necessary for compression members in setting up derricks. Timbers are also frequently estimated when constructing additions to present buildings. It is often found necessary to support wall bearing members until new material is set in place.

Approximations of Weights of Structures and Number of Shop and Field Rivets

These are taken from actual structures and will furnish a basis for rough approximation of the different types of steel skeletons. The weights include the steel frame only, and the crane runway when noted. None of the figures include weights of cranes or machinery.

Type of building	No. of shop rivets per ton	No. of field rivets per ton	Weight of steel per sq. ft. of structure (pounds)
Saw-tooth shop bldg., gypsum tile roof, 24 ft. to bottom chord of truss, 5-ton cap. runways	90 to 120	25	12 to 16
Same building, 16 ft. to bottom chord of truss, no crane runways	90 to 120	25	11 to 15
Flat roof factory bldg., gypsum tile roof, 40 ft. to bottom chord of truss, 5-ton crane runways	100 to 130	19	14 to 20
High and low bay factory bldg., 24 ft. to bottom chord of truss, 5-ton crane runways	90 to 130	22	14 to 18
Office buildings	100 to 200	22	*2 to 4
Foundry cupola floor framing including columns and checkered steel floor plates	100 to 200	32	35 to 60
Yard crane runways			
40-ft. span—16 ft. to rail—10-ton cap.			300
40-ft. span—16 ft. to rail—20-ton cap.			500
60-ft. span—24 ft. to rail—10-ton cap.	130 to 200	30	350
60-ft. span—24 ft. to rail—20-ton cap.			600
80-ft. span—32 ft. to rail—20-ton cap.			500
80-ft. span—32 ft. to rail—30-ton cap.			725
			(xx)
Head frame over shaft of iron mine 125 ft. high. 15 tons working load.	100 to 200	40	175 tons #
			400 tons #

* Weight per cubic foot of building.
xx Weight per lineal foot of crane travel.
\# Total weight—light.
\# Total weight if equipped with crushers, conveyors, etc.

11. Brickwork.—Brickwork is priced by the unit of 1000 brick (abbreviated M). A simple, accurate method for arriving at the number of brick is to list the area and thickness of each wall. Using standard size brick which are $2\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{7}{8} \times 8$ in., an average of 7 bricks is estimated for each square foot of wall of thickness equal to the width of one brick. If the thickness of the wall is two bricks wide, then 14 bricks per square foot are estimated, etc.

Thickness of wall	Number of brick estimated per sq. ft.
1 standard brick width—4 in.	7
2 standard brick width—8 in.	14
3 standard brick width—12½ in.	21
4 standard brick width—17 in.	28
5 standard brick width—21 in.	35

The estimated number of brick in a building is frequently designated as "wall count." This term indicates that the total wall areas have been considered without deductions for openings, such as doors and windows. It is assumed that the expense for bricking jambs, etc., around

these openings is the same as the cost would be for building them solid. While this assumption may be correct, the result does not indicate the exact amount of material to be purchased. The following detailed unit cost is intended for pricing a take-off in which all openings 2×2 ft. or larger have been deducted. A feature for adjusting the number of brick estimated with the varying thickness of the mortar joints that may be specified, is essential. This adjustment can be made when compiling the unit price. Assuming that a standard size common brick is to be used with a ½-in. joint, the unit cost per M is made up approximately as follows:

Brick f.o.b. destination	$13.50 per M	
Unloading	1.50	
	$15.00 per M	
910 brick at $15 per M		$13.65
⅛ bbl. cement at 2.40		0.30
1 part lime, 1¾ bu. at 0.60		1.05
3 parts sand, ½ cu. yd. at 1.46		0.73
Water		0.12
Labor (mixing mortar and laying brick)		12.65
Scaffold material		1.00
Scaffold labor		2.00
		$31.50

When a ½-in. joint is estimated, there are actually 6.37 brick in 1 sq. ft. of wall. In order to avoid using this ambiguous fraction in numerous extensions, it has been assumed that seven brick occur in each square foot of wall as noted in above table. Therefore, for each 1000 brick developed by the take-off, only $\frac{6.37}{7.00}$ of 1000, or 910 brick, will really be used. This then is the number of brick per M estimated, that will need to be purchased, and has accordingly been used in arriving at the unit price per M.

A simple method that may be used for the development of this actual number of brick required for 1 sq. ft. of wall of thickness equal to one brick width, is to lay out on a drawing board 1 sq. ft. of wall including only stretcher courses. Another square foot of wall is then sketched showing only header courses. As these walls are but one brick width in thickness, the amount of brick in each is readily determined by dividing the area of the exposed faces by the area of one side of the size brick estimated. If a header course is specified at every fifth row, then the value of the number of brick in the stretcher sketch is 4 times that for the number of brick developed in the sketch showing headers. The average number of brick per square foot of wall is then determined by adding 4 times the number of brick appearing in stretchers to the number shown in headers and dividing by 5.

This computation can be made for any size brick and although the result is not 100% correct, it is sufficiently accurate for any practical purpose. Further refinement would be offset by variances occurring with field operations and would be of little practical benefit.

The cost of walls constructed of face brick backed up with common brick is generally estimated by first listing the entire wall as though it were of one kind of brick. A second take-off is then made of the face brick. This is subtracted from the whole to obtain the number of common brick.

The unit cost for walls of brick veneer, usually a single thickness of only stretcher courses, often includes the metal ties for bonding the brick to the body of the wall. The number of brick occurring in each square foot of this veneer wall as well as in English, Flemish, or any of the other numerous bonds, is readily determined by the proper manipulation of the values developed by the sketches of stretcher and header courses as explained above.

When constructing sills, corbels, soldier courses, etc., the extra labor may be estimated by allowing from 12 to 18c. per lineal foot in addition to the cost already appearing in the estimate, by including these quantities with the straight wall work. Arches likewise entail extra costs. Frequently a temporary wooden support must be built and an item of carpentry is included.

The firing of a kiln of common clay generally results in a percentage of extra hard-burned, slightly undersize bricks, which, when necessary, may be bought for a premium covering the cost of selecting, usually about $1 per M.

In determining the labor cost of laying brick, it is well to refer to the plans to ascertain if much cutting of brick be necessary. Gable end walls with sloping tops are bound to increase the labor unit. Corners, pilasters, reveals, etc., all retard the progress of a mason gang. As all masons in the squad should be ready simultaneously for the raising of the chalk line, the best bricklayers are usually placed at the corners. Especially when working from the interior side of the wall, there must be considerably more brick apportioned to the corner man than to those along the straight wall due to the space required by the mason to carry on his work. The construction of the building with regard to these features will greatly affect the unit labor cost allowed for bricklaying.

A considerable variance in the cost of mixing mortar makes discussion of that branch of masonry estimating rather difficult. It has been the writer's experience that where one mixer can supply mortar for 5 masons, another under the same conditions may provide for 15. It may be required to find what part of the labor cost of brick-

laying is estimated for mixing mortar. A fair average would be to figure one day's wages for the mortar mixer as furnishing material for 7000 brick. 13½ cu. ft. or ½ cu. yd. of sand is commonly estimated to provide mortar for laying 1000 brick, and may be used as the basis of material quantities. Should the specifications call for a 1–3 or 1–4 mix, the number of bushels of lime are determined by proportioning accordingly. As a bushel contains 1.2444 (1¼) cu. ft., the quantity of lime required is a simple computation. Again, if a cement gaged lime mortar is specified of 1–4–16 proportions, the basis of quantities is the 16 parts of sand. Let the 16 parts equal ½ cu. yd. and solve the other two volumes accordingly.

Referring to the sample cost for 1000 brick, the proportion of the 1¾ bu. lime and ½ cu. yd. sand will be found to be approximately as 1–6, whereas, the mixture is designated 1–3. This difference is caused by the practice of estimating lime in the dry bulk state in which it is usually purchased. Slaking of lump lime nets about twice as much lime paste, which is the basis of the proportions.

A wall of face brick is usually laid with colored mortar. The cost of the coloring per 1000 brick is added in the unit cost of the brickwork before extending. In the case of a wall combining face and common brick, where colored mortar is used only for the face brick, it is necessary to furnish the masons with two kinds of mortar. This is somewhat of a nuisance and necessitates a slight increase in the unit estimated labor cost. As is the case for practically all coloring pigments, the amount of mortar color depends upon the color and shade to be developed. For medium effective shades, an average of 40 lb. double strength, or 60 lb. single strength, is estimated for every 1000 brick. As far as the mortar is concerned, the coloring is a matter of material cost only. An increase should be made in the estimated unit cost for bricklaying when a light face brick is used with a dark mortar, or vice versa. These color combinations require care to be taken when distributing materials along the scaffold and also when building the wall so that there will be no discoloration of an expensive brick that is used ostensibly for the sake of appearance.

The scaffold material item of $1 as it appears in the detailed estimated unit cost of 1000 brick is not intended to cover the cost for purchasing scaffold required to lay 1000 brick but covers the estimated deterioration of the contractor's equipment on hand. Due to the weight of materials, the mason requires a substantial scaffold. An accurate estimated cost of erection must be the result of experience in the class of work to be encountered.

12. Steel Sash and Operators.—The area of steel sash is listed in the estimate and the price per square foot is applied separately to each different class. An estimator familiar with market prices may be able to approximate a fairly accurate price per square foot for steel sash including glass and glazing complete, but as a rule it is advisable to take quotations from sash manufacturers particularly when large quantities are considered.

Although sash are hardly ever sold by weight, it furnishes in conjunction with the number of joints a good criterion for the comparative price, as sash with small size lights weigh more than sash with large size lights, and the increased number of joints and ventilators increase the labor cost of production.

The estimating of operators for steel sash is generally based on a unit of one lineal foot. There are many different makes of these operators on the market with a wide range of prices, like most specialties. For this reason the general contractor usually takes quotations to determine the amount to be allowed in the estimate.

13. Glazing Steel Sash.—Glass and putty are the two common materials included in the glazing estimate.

The procedure for taking off and pricing common glass as well as other materials, must conform to the general methods of marketing. Glass is usually stored in cases, the sizes and number of pieces in a case being found on most any stock list. The areas of sheets of the same texture in standard lengths and widths up to 40 in. are listed in one group. Glass over 40 in. wide costs 10% more on the basis of area, and is therefore listed separately. When estimating odd sizes, the cost of the next larger standard size is taken plus 10 % for recutting. Ventilator glass is usually of special size as the lights at top and bottom of ventilators are ⅞ in. shorter and the lights at sides of ventilators are ⅞ in. narrower than the standard lights. Ventilator lights not touching at top, sides, or bottom of ventilator, are generally of same dimension as the main stationary lights. ¼-in. wire ribbed glass costs about 30 % more, and factory ribbed glass costs about 30 % less than double strength (D.S.) AA grade clear glass. Opaque glass as a rule is cheaper than clear glass as the imperfections cannot be as readily detected.

Approximately 1 lb. of putty is required to glaze a 14 × 20-in. light. ½ lb. of putty is generally estimated for every square foot of standard side wall type sash, or 1 lb. for every 6 lin. ft. of stopping. The size of the openings in monitor sash varies greatly, and approximation of putty is hardly feasible from the basis of area. One pound will spread from 4 to 6 lin. ft. In all cases, the above values include both the puttying and back-puttying necessary to prevent the glass from bearing directly against the steel.

Steel sash are usually estimated to be glazed after erection. Having no separate frames, sash are set when the wall is built. A large steel sash glazed before erection would be a delicate article to handle and more than likely most of the lights would be knocked out by the various tradesmen working on the upper part of the structure.

The general estimated unit cost per square foot is often made up as follows:

¼-in. wire ribbed plate	$0.30
Putty, ½ lb. at 6c. per lb.	0.03
Labor glazing Labor scaffolding	0.08
	$0.41

Before using the above unit costs, from 2 to 5% is added to the net estimated quantity of glass commensurate with the amount of shipping and handling. When glass is shipped by rail, material cost includes freight to site and labor cost is added for unloading.

14. Corrugated Iron or Steel.—Corrugated iron or steel is sold by the hundredweight. As estimated for steel buildings, however, it is conveniently taken in units of 100 sq. ft. The design drawings often show the size and position of each sheet, thereby simplifying the taking-off of quantities. The estimating of surfaces from drawings not showing the individual sheets may not be quite as accurate. The net area to be covered is listed in the take-off, plus an allowance of from 10 to 30% for side and end laps depending upon the surface slope with regard to weather. The standard corrugations are 2, 2½, and 3 in. from peak to peak of each ridge. Common stock sizes are 27½ in. wide and 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 ft. long. This width sheet covers a net strip 2 ft. wide, making a customary lap of 1½ corrugations. The end laps range from 6 in. on a ¼-in. pitch roof to 3 in. for vertical walls. A sheet of composition roofing is sometimes laid under the metal when covering roofs of less than ¼ pitch. Corrugated covering may be fastened by steel clips bent around the supporting members, or by nailing to wood nailer strips.

The gross number of squares of corrugated iron is extended at the unit price made up somewhat as follows:

Material—1 sq. 24 ga. galv. standard 126 lb. at $8.20 per cwt.		$10.33*
Fasteners		0.60
Labor (unloading 0.07, application 2.53)	2.60	
Generals, overheads, etc., 70%	1.82	4.42
		$15.35

* Includes freight.

The item of labor varies greatly with the height of the application and the surface with respect to number of openings. The price used would apply for favorable conditions—that is, to a low structure with a moderate number of windows. The labor would need to be doubled or trebled when estimating high surfaces broken by numerous doors and windows.

15. Carpentry.—Waste is a big factor in the estimating of lumber. Full size boards are rough, and dressing or planing will naturally reduce the covering values so that an extra percentage must be allowed. The increased quantities due to waste are included in the material take-off with the result that both material and labor costs are based on the gross amount of material estimated.

When boards must be cut to odd lengths, there is another element of waste. The common standard mill lengths of lumber are from 10 to 30 ft.in multiples of 2 ft. Sticks 9 ft. long would be estimated at 18-ft. pieces cut in half. A stick 9 ft. 2 in. long may be cut from a mill length board of 10 ft. Long lengths of lumber cost more per thousand board feet than short lengths and must be so considered when determining nearest standard multiple of odd length required. Lengths of 10, 12, 14 and 16 ft., of like section, usually cost the same with an advance in unit price for each additional 2 ft. For instance, if the unit cost of 28-ft. lengths is 10% more than 16-ft. lengths, it is more economical to waste up to 10% more lumber in using the 16-ft. stock. Lumber should be so separated when listing in the take-off that pieces of different lengths and consequent varying costs can be priced separately.

The table[1] on p. 1040 should be of assistance in determining the number of boards required to cover the widths of various constructions that may be shown on plans. The lengths of the boards estimated as noted in the preceding paragraph must be considered with respect to the spacing of supports.

The quantities of nails often estimated for various carpentry are:

1000 laths, 7 lb. 3 d. fine; or for 100 sq. yd. of lathing, use 10 lb. of 3d. fine.
1000 sq. ft. beveled siding, 18 lb. 6d.
1000 sq. ft. sheathing, 20 lb. 8d. or 25 lb. 10d.
1000 sq. ft. flooring, 30 lb. 8d. or 40 lb. 10d.
1000 sq. ft. studding, 15 lb. 10d. or 5 lb. 20d.
1000 sq. ft. 1 × 2½-in. furring, 12 in. centers, 9 lb. 8d. or 14 lb. 10 d.
1000 sq. ft. 1 × 2½-in. furring, 16 in. centers, 7 lb. 8d. or 10 lb. 10d.

[1] Originally compiled by J. J. Edwards.

No. of Pcs.	8″ Shiplap Y. P.	10″ Shiplap Y. P.	10″ Grooved roofing	6″ Drop siding Y. P.	8″ Drop siding Y. P.	4″ Bevel siding (3″ to weather) redwood pine	6″ Bevel siding (5″ to weather) redwood pine	4″ Ceiling Y. P.	6″ Flooring Y. P. W. P.	4″ Flooring fir, maple, Y. P.	3″ Flooring oak, maple	2½″ Flooring ⅜″ thick. 2¾″ Flooring $1\frac{3}{16}$″ thick. Oak, maple	2″ Flooring ⅜″ thick. 2¼″ Flooring $1\frac{3}{16}$″ thick. Oak, maple	1″ Flooring ⅜″thick. Oak, maple
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)
1	7″	9″	9″	5¼″	7¼″	3″	5″	3¼″	5¼″	3¼″	2¼″	2″	1½″	⅞″
2	1′ 2″	1′ 6″	1′ 6″	10½″	1′ 2½″	6″	10″	6½″	10½″	6½″	4½″	4″	3″	1¾″
3	1′ 9″	2′ 3″	2′ 3″	1′ 3¾″	1′ 9¾″	9″	1′ 3″	9¾″	1′ 3¾″	9¾″	6¾″	6″	4½″	2⅝″
4	2′ 4″	3′ 0″	3′ 0″	1′ 9″	2′ 5″	1′ 0″	1′ 8″	1′ 1″	1′ 9″	1′ 1″	9″	8″	6″	3½″
5	2′ 11″	3′ 9″	3′ 9″	2′ 2¼″	3′ 0¼″	1′ 3″	2′ 1″	1′ 4¼″	2′ 2¼″	1′ 4¼″	11¼″	10″	7½″	4⅜″
6	3′ 6″	4′ 6″	4′ 6″	2′ 7½″	3′ 7½″	1′ 6″	2′ 6″	1′ 7½″	2′ 7½″	1′ 7½″	1′ 1½″	1′ 0″	9″	5¼″
7	4′ 1″	5′ 3″	5′ 3″	3′ 0¾″	4′ 2¾″	1′ 9″	2′ 11″	1′ 10¾″	3′ 0¾″	1′ 10¾″	1′ 3¾″	1′ 2″	10½″	6⅛″
8	4′ 8″	6′ 0″	6′ 0″	3′ 6″	4′ 10″	2′ 0″	3′ 4″	2′ 2″	3′ 6″	2′ 2″	1′ 6″	1′ 4″	1′ 0″	7″
9	5′ 3″	6′ 9″	6′ 9″	3′ 11¼″	5′ 5¼″	2′ 3″	3′ 9″	2′ 5¼″	3′ 11¼″	2′ 5¼″	1′ 8¼″	1′ 6″	1′ 1½″	7⅞″
10	5′ 10″	7′ 6″	7′ 6″	4′ 4½″	6′ 0½″	2′ 6″	4′ 2″	2′ 8½″	4′ 4½″	2′ 8½″	1′ 10½″	1′ 8″	1′ 3″	8¾″
11	6′ 5″	8′ 3″	8′ 3″	4′ 9¾″	6′ 7¾″	2′ 9″	4′ 7″	2′ 11¾″	4′ 9¾″	2′ 11¾″	2′ 0¾″	1′ 10″	1′ 4½″	9⅝″
12	7′ 0″	9′ 0″	9′ 0″	5′ 3″	7′ 3″	3′ 0″	5′ 0″	3′ 3″	5′ 3″	3′ 3″	2′ 3″	2′ 0″	1′ 6″	10½″
13	7′ 7″	9′ 9″	9′ 9″	5′ 8¼″	7′ 10¼″	3′ 3″	5′ 5″	3′ 6¼″	5′ 8¼″	3′ 6¼″	2′ 5¼″	2′ 2″	1′ 7½″	11⅜″
14	8′ 2″	10′ 6″	10′ 6″	6′ 1½″	8′ 5½″	3′ 6″	5′ 10″	3′ 9½″	6′ 1½″	3′ 9½″	2′ 7½″	2′ 4″	1′ 9″	1′ 0¼″
15	8′ 9″	11′ 3″	11′ 3″	6′ 6¾″	9′ 0¾″	3′ 9″	6′ 3″	4′ 0¾″	6′ 6¾″	4′ 0¾″	2′ 9¾″	2′ 6″	1′ 10½″	1′ 1⅛″
16	9′ 4″	12′ 0″	12′ 0″	7′ 0″	9′ 8″	4′ 0″	6′ 8″	4′ 4″	7′ 0″	4′ 4″	3′ 0″	2′ 8″	2′ 0″	1′ 2″
17	9′ 11″	12′ 9″	12′ 9″	7′ 5¼″	10′ 3¼″	4′ 3″	7′ 1″	4′ 7¼″	7′ 5¼″	4′ 7¼″	3′ 2¼″	2′ 10″	2′ 1½″	1′ 2⅞″
18	10′ 6″	13′ 6″	13′ 6″	7′ 10½″	10′ 10½″	4′ 6″	7′ 6″	4′ 10½″	7′ 10½″	4′ 10½″	3′ 4½″	3′ 0″	2′ 3″	1′ 3¾″
19	11′ 1″	14′ 3″	14′ 3″	8′ 3¾″	11′ 5¾″	4′ 9″	7′ 11″	5′ 1¾″	8′ 3¾″	5′ 1¾″	3′ 6¾″	3′ 2″	2′ 4½″	1′ 4⅝″
20	11′ 8″	15′ 0″	15′ 0″	8′ 9″	12′ 1″	5′ 0″	8′ 4″	5′ 5″	8′ 9″	5′ 5″	3′ 9″	3′ 4″	2′ 6″	1′ 5½″
21	12′ 3″	15′ 9″	15′ 9″	9′ 2¼″	12′ 8¼″	5′ 3″	8′ 9″	5′ 8¼″	9′ 2¼	5′ 8¼″	3′ 11¼″	3′ 6″	2′ 7½″	1′ 6⅜″
22	12′ 10″	16′ 6″	16′ 6″	9′ 7½″	13′ 3½″	5′ 6″	9′ 2″	5′ 11½″	9′ 7½″	5′ 11½″	4′ 1½″	3′ 8″	2′ 9″	1′ 7¼″
23	13′ 5″	17′ 3″	17′ 3″	10′ 0¾″	13′ 10¾″	5′ 9″	9′ 7″	6′ 2¾″	10′ 0¾″	6′ 2¾″	4′ 3¾″	3′ 10″	2′ 10½″	1′ 8⅛″
24	14′ 0″	18′ 0″	18′ 0″	10′ 6″	14′ 6″	6′ 0″	10′ 0″	6′ 6″	10′ 6″	6′ 6″	4′ 6″	4′ 0″	3′ 0″	1′ 9″
25	14′ 7″	18′ 9″	18′ 9″	11′ 1¼″	15′ 1¼″	6′ 3″	10′ 5″	6′ 9¼″	10′ 11¼″	6′ 9¼″	4′ 8¼″	4′ 2″	3′ 1½″	1′ 9⅞″
26	15′ 2″	19′ 6″	19′ 6″	11′ 4½″	15′ 8½″	6′ 6″	10′ 10″	7′ 0½″	11′ 4½″	7′ 0½″	4′ 10½″	4′ 4″	3′ 3″	1′ 10¾″
27	15′ 9″	20′ 3″	20′ 3″	11′ 9¾″	16′ 3¾″	6′ 9″	11′ 3″	7′ 3¾″	11′ 9¾″	7′ 3¾″	5′ 0¾″	4′ 6″	3′ 4½″	1′ 11⅝″
28	16′ 4″	21′ 0″	21′ 0″	12′ 3″	16′ 11″	7′ 0″	11′ 8″	7′ 7″	12′ 3″	7′ 7″	5′ 3″	4′ 8″	3′ 6″	2′ 0½″
29	16′ 11″	21′ 9″	21′ 9″	12′ 8¼″	17′ 6¼″	7′ 3″	12′ 1″	7′ 10¼″	12′ 8¼″	7′ 10¼″	5′ 5¼″	4′ 10″	3′ 7½″	2′ 1⅜″
30	17′ 6″	22′ 6″	22′ 6″	13′ 1½″	18′ 1½″	7′ 6″	12′ 6″	8′ 1½″	13′ 1½″	8′ 1½″	5′ 7½″	5′ 0″	3′ 9″	2′ 2¼″
31	18′ 1″	23′ 3″	23′ 3″	13′ 6¾″	18′ 8¾″	7′ 9″	12′ 11″	8′ 4¾″	13′ 6¾″	8′ 4¾″	5′ 9¾″	5′ 2″	3′ 10½″	2′ 3⅛″
32	18′ 8″	24′ 0″	24′ 0″	14′ 0″	19′ 4″	8′ 0″	13′ 4″	8′ 8″	14′ 0″	8′ 8″	6′ 0″	5′ 4″	4′ 0″	2′ 4″
33	19′ 3″	24′ 9″	24′ 9″	14′ 5¼″	19′ 11¼″	8′ 3″	13′ 9″	8′ 11¼″	14′ 5¼″	8′ 11¼″	6′ 2¼″	5′ 6″	4′ 1½″	2′ 4⅞″
34	19′ 10″	25′ 6″	25′ 6″	14′ 10½″	20′ 6½″	8′ 6″	14′ 2″	9′ 2½″	14′ 10½″	9′ 2½″	6′ 4½″	5′ 8″	4′ 3″	2′ 5¾″
35	20′ 5″	26′ 3″	26′ 3″	15′ 3¾″	21′ 1¾″	8′ 9″	14′ 7″	9′ 5¾′	15′ 3¾″	9′ 5¾″	6′ 6¾″	5′ 10″	4′ 4½″	2′ 6⅝

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36	21′ 0″	27′ 0″	27′ 0″	15′ 9″	21′ 9″	9′ 0″	15′ 0″	9′ 9″	15′ 9″	9′ 9″	6′ 9″	6′ 0″	4′ 6″	2′ 7½″
37	21′ 7″	27′ 9″	27′ 9″	16′ 2¼″	22′ 4¼″	9′ 3″	15′ 5″	10′ 0¼″	16′ 2¼″	10′ 0¼″	6′ 11¼″	6′ 2″	4′ 7½″	2′ 8⅜″
38	22′ 2″	28′ 6″	28′ 6″	16′ 7½″	22′ 11½″	9′ 6″	15′ 10″	10′ 3½″	16′ 7½″	10′ 3½″	7′ 1½″	6′ 4″	4′ 9″	2′ 9¼″
39	22′ 9″	29′ 3″	29′ 3″	17′ 0¾″	23′ 6¾″	9′ 9″	16′ 3″	10′ 6¾″	17′ 0¾″	10′ 6¾″	7′ 3¾″	6′ 6″	4′ 10½″	2′ 10⅛″
40	23′ 4″	30′ 0″	30′ 0″	17′ 6″	24′ 2″	10′ 0″	16′ 8″	10′ 10″	17′ 6″	10′ 10″	7′ 6″	6′ 8″	5′ 0″	2′ 11″
41	23′ 11″	30′ 9″	30′ 9″	17′ 11¼″	24′ 9¼″	10′ 3″	17′ 1″	11′ 1¼″	17′ 11¼″	11′ 1¼″	7′ 8¼″	6′ 10″	5′ 1½″	2′ 11⅞″
42	24′ 6″	31′ 6″	31′ 6″	18′ 4½″	25′ 4½″	10′ 6″	17′ 6″	11′ 4½″	18′ 4½″	11′ 4½″	7′ 10½″	7′ 0″	5′ 3″	3′ 0¾″
43	25′ 1″	32′ 3″	32′ 3″	18′ 9¾″	25′ 11¾″	10′ 9″	17′ 11″	11′ 7¾″	18′ 9¾″	11′ 7¾″	8′ 0¾″	7′ 2″	5′ 4½″	3′ 1⅝″
44	25′ 8″	33′ 0″	33′ 0″	19′ 3″	26′ 7″	11′ 0″	18′ 4″	11′ 11″	19′ 3″	11′ 11″	8′ 3″	7′ 4″	5′ 6″	3′ 2½″
45	26′ 3″	33′ 9″	33′ 9″	19′ 8¼	27′ 2¼″	11′ 3″	18′ 9″	12′ 2¼″	19′ 8¼″	12′ 2¼″	8′ 5¼″	7′ 6″	5′ 7½″	3′ 3⅜″
46	26′ 10″	34′ 6″	34′ 6″	20′ 1½″	27′ 9½″	11′ 6″	19′ 2″	12′ 5½″	20′ 1½″	12′ 5½″	8′ 7½″	7′ 8″	5′ 9″	3′ 4¼″
47	27′ 5″	35′ 3″	35′ 3″	20′ 6¾″	28′ 4¾″	11′ 9″	19′ 7″	12′ 8¾″	20′ 6¾″	12′ 8⅜″	8′ 9¾″	7′ 10″	5′ 10½″	3′ 5⅛″
48	28′ 0″	36′ 0″	36′ 0″	21′ 0″	29′ 0″	12′ 0″	20′ 0″	13′ 0″	21′ 0″	13′ 0″	9′ 0″	8′ 0″	6′ 0″	3′ 6″
49	28′ 7″	36′ 9″	36′ 9″	21′ 5¼″	29′ 7¼″	12′ 3″	20′ 5″	13′ 3¼″	21′ 5¼″	13′ 3¼″	9′ 2¼″	8′ 2″	6′ 1½″	3′ 6⅞″
50	29′ 2″	37′ 6″	37′ 6″	21′ 10½″	30′ 2½″	12′ 6″	20′ 10″	13′ 6½″	21′ 10½″	13′ 6½″	9′ 4½″	8′ 4″	6′ 3″	3′ 7¾″
51	29′ 9″	38′ 3″	38′ 3″	22′ 3¾″	30′ 9¾″	12′ 9″	21′ 3″	13′ 9¾″	22′ 3¾″	13′ 9¾″	9′ 6¾″	8′ 6″	6′ 4½″	3′ 8⅝″
52	30′ 4″	39′ 0″	39′ 0″	22′ 9″	31′ 5″	13′ 0″	21′ 8″	14′ 1″	22′ 9″	14′ 1″	9′ 9″	8′ 8″	6′ 6″	3′ 9½″
53	30′ 11″	39′ 9″	39′ 9″	23′ 2¼″	32′ 0¼″	13′ 3″	22′ 1″	14′ 4¼″	23′ 2¼″	14′ 4¼″	9′ 11¼″	8′ 10″	6′ 7½″	3′ 10⅜″
54	31′ 6″	40′ 6″	40′ 6″	23′ 7½″	32′ 7½″	13′ 6″	22′ 6″	14′ 7½″	23′ 7½″	14′ 7½″	10′ 1½″	9′ 0″	6′ 9″	3′ 11¼″
55	32′ 1″	41′ 3″	41′ 3″	24′ 0¾″	33′ 2¾″	13′ 9″	22′ 11″	14′ 10¾″	24′ 0¾″	14′ 10¾″	10′ 3¾″	9′ 2″	6′ 10½″	4′ 0⅛″
56	32′ 8″	42′ 0″	42′ 0″	24′ 6″	33′ 10″	14′ 0″	23′ 4″	15′ 2″	24′ 6″	15′ 2″	10′ 6″	9′ 4″	7′ 0″	4′ 1″
57	33′ 3″	42′ 9″	42′ 9″	24′ 11¼″	34′ 5¼″	14′ 3″	23′ 9″	15′ 5¼″	24′ 11¼″	15′ 5¼″	10′ 8¼″	9′ 6″	7′ 1½″	4′ 1⅞″
58	33′ 10″	43′ 6″	43′ 6″	25′ 4½″	35′ 0½″	14′ 6″	24′ 2″	15′ 8½″	25′ 4½″	15′ 8½″	10′ 10½″	9′ 8″	7′ 3″	4′ 2¾
59	34′ 5″	44′ 3″	44′ 3″	25′ 9¾″	35′ 7¾″	14′ 9″	24′ 7″	15′ 11¾″	25′ 9¾″	15′ 11¾″	11′ 0¾″	9′ 10″	7′ 4½″	4′ 3⅝″
60	35′ 0″	45′ 0″	45′ 0″	26′ 3″	36′ 3″	15′ 0″	25′ 0″	16′ 3″	26′ 3″	16′ 3″	11′ 3″	10′ 0″	7′ 6″	4′ 4½″
61	35′ 7″	45′ 9″	45′ 9″	26′ 8¼″	36′ 10¼″	15′ 3″	25′ 5″	16′ 6¼″	26′ 8¼″	16′ 6¼″	11′ 5¼″	10′ 2″	7′ 7½″	4′ 5⅜″
62	36′ 2″	46′ 6″	46″6″	27′ 1½″	37′ 5½″	15′ 6″	25′ 10″	16′ 9½″	27′ 1½″	16′ 9½″	11′ 7½″	10′ 4″	7′ 9″	4′ 6¼″
63	36′ 9″	47′ 3″	47′ 3″	27′ 6¾″	38′ 0¾″	15′ 9″	26′ 3″	17′ 0¾″	27′ 6¾″	17′ 0¾″	11′ 9¾″	10′ 6″	7′ 10½″	4′ 7⅛″
64	37′ 4″	48′ 0″	48′ 0″	28′ 0″	38′ 8″	16′ 0″	26′ 8″	17′ 4″	28′ 0″	17′ 4″	12′ 0″	10′ 8″	8′ 0″	4′ 8″
65	37′ 11″	48′ 9″	48′ 9″	28′ 5¼″	39′ 3¼″	16′ 3″	27′ 1″	17′ 7¼″	28′ 5¼″	17′ 7¼″	12′ 2¼″	10′ 10″	8′ 1½″	4′ 8⅞″
66	38′ 6″	49′ 6″	49′ 6″	28′ 10½″	39′ 10½″	16′ 6″	27′ 6″	17′ 10½″	28′ 10½″	17′ 10½″	12′ 4½″	11′ 0″	8′ 3″	4′ 9¾″
67	39′ 1″	50′ 3″	50′ 3″	29′ 3¾″	40′ 5¾″	16′ 9″	27′ 11″	18′ 1¾″	29′ 3¾″	18′ 1¾″	12′ 6¾″	11′ 2″	8′ 4½″	4′ 10⅝″
68	39′ 8″	51′ 0″	51′ 0″	29′ 9″	41′ 1″	17′ 0″	28′ 4″	18′ 5″	29′ 9″	18′ 5″	12′ 9″	11′ 4″	8′ 6″	4′ 11½″
69	40′ 3″	51′ 9″	51′ 9″	30′ 2¼″	41′ 8¼″	17′ 3″	28′ 9″	18′ 8¼″	30′ 2¼″	18′ 8¼″	12′ 11¼″	11′ 6″	8′ 7½″	5′ 0⅜″
70	40′ 10″	52′ 6″	52′ 6″	30′ 7½″	42′ 3½″	17′ 6″	29′ 2″	18′ 11½″	30′ 7½″	18′ 11½″	13′ 1½″	11′ 8″	8′ 9″	5′ 1¼″
71	41′ 5″	53′ 3″	53′ 3″	31′ 0¾″	42′ 10¾″	17′ 9″	29′ 7″	19′ 2¾″	31′ 0¾″	19′ 2¾″	13′ 3¾″	11′ 10″	8′ 10½″	5′ 2⅛″
72	42′ 0″	54′ 0″	54′ 0″	31′ 6″	43′ 6″	18′ 0″	30′ 0″	19′ 6″	31′ 6″	19′ 6″	13′ 6″	12′ 0″	9′ 0″	5′ 3″
73	42′ 7″	54′ 9″	54′ 9″	31′ 11¼″	44′ 1¼″	18′ 3″	30′ 5″	19′ 9¼″	31′ 11¼″	19′ 9¼″	13′ 8¼″	12′ 2″	9′ 1½″	5′ 3⅞″
74	43′ 2″	55′ 6″	55′ 6″	32′ 4½″	44′ 8½″	18′ 6″	30′ 10″	20′ 0½″	32′ 4½″	20′ 0½″	13′ 10½″	12′ 4″	9′ 3″	5′ 4¾″
75	43′ 9″	56′ 3″	56′ 3″	32′ 9¾	45′ 3¾″	18′ 9″	31′ 3″	20′ 3¾″	32′ 9¾″	20′ 3¾″	14′ 0¾″	12′ 6″	9′ 4½″	5′ 5⅜″
76	44′ 4″	57′ 0″	57′ 0″	33′ 3″	45′ 11″	19′ 0″	31′ 8″	20′ 7″	33′ 3″	20′ 7″	14′ 3″	12′ 8″	9′ 6″	5′ 6½″

NAILS REQUIRED PER 1000 FT. B. M. LUMBER

Size common nail	Number required (pounds)	Size finishing nail	Number required (pounds)	Size plank	Spacing of joists or purlins (inches)
8d	33	8d	18	1 × 6	12
	21		12		18
	16		9		24
16d	23	20d	35	2 × 6	24
	9½		14		60
	8		12		72
	6½		10		84
	6		9		96
	5½		8		108
50d	26	60d	31	3 × 10	36
	22½		26½		42
	19½		23½		48
	15½		18½		60
	13		15½		72
	11		13		84
	9¾		11½		96
	9		10½		108
	8		9		120

The values given in foregoing nail table are for average lengths of wood, double nailed at the ends and single nailed at intermediate points. Where end joints occur, both abutting ends are usually double nailed, and for that reason, the number of nails for a given work will vary with lengths of the boards used. When large surfaces are estimated, it is often worth while to develop the actual number of nails which can be resolved into pounds by using the following weights:

Size nail	Extra per cwt.	Length (inches)	Gage	Approx. number of nails in 1 lb.
60d.	Base	6	2	11
50	Base	5½	3	14
40	Base	5	4	18
30	Base	4½	5	24
20	Base	4	6	31
16	0.05	3½	8	49
12	0.05	3¼	9	63
10	0.05	3	9	69
9	0.10	2¾	10¼	96
8	0.10	2½	10¼	106
7	0.20	2¼	11½	161
6	0.20	2	11½	181
5	0.30	1¾	12½	271
4	0.30	1½	12½	316
3	0.45	1¼	14	568
2	0.70	1	15	876

It is convenient to group all nails and other hardware in the estimate, omitting these at the time the carpentry is listed.

Wood nailers are frequently used on steel members for fastening corrugated iron, wood roofs, millwork, etc. For ordinary roof decks, 2 × 4 or 2 × 6-in. nailers are commonly used with a 3 × 4 or 3 × 6 wherever ends of roof boards butt together and double nailing occurs. ½-in. carriage bolts are usually estimated on 18 to 36-in. centers.

Material and labor are figured by the thousand feet board measure. The main feature in determining the labor allowance may be the possibility of bolting the nailer before the steelwork is erected. Nailers attached to steel members after erection will cost from 10 to 50% more.

Roof Decking.—The cost of applying roof planking like all other roofing operations depends mostly upon the slope of the roof and the extent to which the roof surface is broken up. On a flat roof where the carpenter need

take no precautions against sliding, the work is carried on at a faster pace. Height of roof will also influence the cost. If the roof is too high to permit workman on the ground to hand the boards up to the men above, costs of hoisting are included. For factory buildings it is more a case of hoist or no hoist, as there is no appreciable difference in the cost for raising lumber 25 or 65 ft. The unit cost may be estimated as follows:

1 M 2 × 6 dressed and matched, LLYP	$50.00
12 lb., 16d nails at 6c	0.72
Labor unloading lumber	1.00
Labor laying	15.00
	$66.72

Temporary end or side framing of studs and sheathing, or studs and siding, is often estimated for steel factory buildings when the owner anticipates further expansion. The material (studding and surfacing) is generally listed and estimated as two separate items, resolved into feet board measure, priced and extended by the thousand. To arrive at the labor cost of this kind of framing, some estimators apply a price per square foot covering both the siding and studding costs. The labor cost for studding usually runs more, however, and by separate listing more accurate units are employed.

Interior Trim.—The costs of the various moldings used for interior trimming unlike most branches of carpentry, are frequently based on a price per lineal foot, both the material and labor costs being made up on this basis. The material includes the gross size of the section planed plus the cost for running the board through the mill. Plain sections cost about the same as fancy ones, providing there is the same number of machining operations. The labor costs include the use of finishing nails set into the wood so that the holes may later be puttied over by the painter.

16. Painting.—Painting is estimated by units of area, sometimes 1 sq. ft., 1 sq. yd., or 1 square. The unit—1 square—seems most practical because, if anything, it is easier to develop a price per 100 sq. ft. than a price for 1 sq. ft. Furthermore, to maintain the same accuracy, a unit per square foot must be carried into several more decimal places, and this seems like unnecessary detail. In arriving at the number of squares, the take-off includes the gross areas to be covered. Like all other operations, surfaces with varying unit costs are taken off separately so that the correct unit price may be speedily approximated for the several items, each of which includes only one class of work. Each list bears a caption fully describing the material and the number of coats the surface is to receive. When listing the painting of glazed doors and windows, no deduction is made for the glass. The extra cost of painting the narrow striping balances the saving of material. It is well, however, to note the area of this kind of surface in the event the exact amount of paint will have to be determined later. The labor conditions are best derived by reference to the drawings.

VALUES FOR ONE GALLON OF MIXED PAINTS

Kind of paint	Pounds of pigment	Volume of liquid element (gallons)	Surface covering value				
			Metal	Smooth wood	Plaster	Brick	
Lead and linseed oil	17	¾	300	250	200	170	First or second coat
Zinc and linseed oil	12	¾	400	330	270	220	First or second coat
Hard oil or varnish	..	..	480	400	320	270	First coat only
Hard oil or varnish	..	..	...	500	400	350	Second coat only
Glue size and water	½	¾	...	400	300	250	First coat only
Cold water paint	5	¾	250	250	225	200	First coat only

The increased covering or spreading value of the zinc paint does not represent any economy over the use of lead paint, as the zinc will not usually cover as effectively as the lead. Up to 10% of dryer may be used to force the chemical action of the drying and lessen the drying time of the first coat, but dryers are seldom estimated as an ingredient of the last two coats as it is generally known that the wearing quality of paint is impaired proportionately with the amount of dryer added. Similarly, glue size as a first coat is estimated only for the cheaper grades of work. The cost of glue size is about 5% of that of good paint but it will not adhere nearly as well as a first coat of thin paint. The unit cost of painting for common classes of work is usually understood to include scaffold labor. In only rare instances does a painter do any work for which no ladders and staging are necessary.

17. Composition Roof Coverings.—Roofing is generally estimated by the square—that is, a unit of 100 sq. ft. The roof surfaces are listed in the estimate allowing about 1 ft. at

parapets, or more when specified, and the area resolved into squares. As the average general contractor usually purchases roofing in place from the roofers, quotations are generally used for pricing the estimate. The unit price as quoted by the roofer having a specified type and weight of roofing in mind, would depend on the pitch of roof, height, number of separate roofs into which the area may be divided, and the construction of the roof deck. A roof is generally termed steep or flat depending upon whether roof ladders need be used. The division occurs in the neighborhood of ¼ pitch.

18. General Field Expenses.—After all of the building operations have been included in the estimate, a summary is made of the costs for conducting all work not a part of any specific installation. These generals may be listed separately or grouped in the following manner with the total carried over into the right-hand column as shown on sample estimate in Art. 2. Assuming a factory building costing about $800,000, these items will appear approximately as follows:

Amount brought forward		$698,134.00
Clearing rubbish from premises	$1,000.00	
Freight on 6 to 10 carloads equipment per tool list	400.00	
Railroad fares	400.00	
Coal, 300 tons at $6	1,800.00	
Temporary sheds	700.00	
Office stationery, stamps, etc.	100.00	
Telegraph and telephone expense	500.00	
Superintendent, 9 months at 350	3,150.00	
General foreman, 9 months at 250	2,250.00	
Civil engineer, 8 months at 200	1,600.00	
Timekeeper, 9 months at 160	1,440.00	
Car tracer	800.00	
Two watchmen, 9 months at 100	1,800.00	
*Insurance (Workmans Compensation and Liability) 10% of ⅓ of $800,000	26,667.00	42,607.00
		$740,741.00
Overheads (say 8%)		59,259.00
Total cost		$800,000.00

* 10% is the estimated rate of insurance for factory structures. Rates vary in different localities. ⅓ is the estimated proportion of labor to the total cost of the building—in other words, the estimated payroll expenditure.

Adding field overheads to the other costs appearing in the estimate gives a total on which the general office and contracting overheads can be based. The percentage used to determine this general office overhead depends entirely upon what proportion of the organization is contained in the general office. By adding this percentage in the estimate, the net cost of the construction is established and only the allowance for profit is needed to arrive at the bidding price. Naturally the above outline will not serve for all conditions affecting estimates. Often an organization uses a smaller profit factor on sub-bids than on the work to be executed by its own forces, and in that event the estimator should use a separate column for sub-bids or have other ready means for determining at once the total amount of the work to be sublet.

SECTION 2

ESTIMATING CONCRETE BUILDINGS[1]

By Clayton W. Mayers

Making an estimate for a reinforced concrete building involves much more labor than is required in the preparation of estimates for buildings constructed of structural steel, brick, wood, or a combination of these materials. This becomes obvious when we consider that a reinforced concrete beam is composed of a certain amount of cement, sand, crushed stone, water, reinforcement, formwork, and labor, while a steel I-beam in place in a building represents, insofar as we are concerned, only a certain amount of structural steel and labor.

In order to estimate the cost of a reinforced concrete beam, column, floor slab or wall, it is necessary to determine the amount of concrete, steel reinforcement, formwork, and labor involved and to these amounts affix proper unit prices. In arriving at proper unit prices, it is necessary to still further subdivide the amount of concrete into its constituent parts of cement, sand, and crushed stone. The amount of lumber necessary to properly form the concrete must be determined before a correct unit price for formwork can be decided upon. The necessary amount of plant equipment and labor must be carefully considered and the cost determined before the estimate is complete. Compare with this the process of estimating the cost of a steel member in a building, which consists of so many pounds of steel and so much labor, and we readily appreciate that to estimate properly all the structural members of a reinforced concrete building requires much more detail work than is required in estimating most other types of building construction.

1. Systematic Procedure Advisable.—In estimating the cost of a reinforced concrete building it is necessary to make a complete list of all materials and labor, arranging this list in a convenient form, using methods which permit this to be done with the least amount of labor. In making this list it is necessary to consider every structural member in the building from the footings to the roof slab. The quantities are determined by carefully "scaling" the plans of the proposed building. These estimated quantities are then priced out and the sum of the extended totals to which have been added the cost of superintendence, liability insurance, profit, and other items common to all building operations will, if correctly done, represent to a close degree the final cost of the work.

2. Estimating Quantities.—Making a "quantity survey" of the plans, or "scaling" the plans as it is commonly called, is the first step in preparing an estimate. In order to perform the work rapidly and with the least possible chance for error, properly ruled stationery is very essential. Paper (8½ × 11 in.) ruled similar to the copy shown below has been found of excellent design and its use is recommended.

Col. No. 1	Col. No. 2	Col. No. 3	Col. No. 4	Col. No. 5	Col. No. 6	Col. No. 7	Col. No. 8	Col. No. 9
"Description"	"Times"	"length"	"width"	"height"	"Quantity"	"Summary"	"Unit price"	"Total"

Column No. 1 is the "description" column. It is used to note briefly the location and character of the work being scaled in order that future identification may be easily made. Column No. 2 is the "times" column. In this column should be noted the number of pieces or duplicate members which are being scaled from the plans as exactly alike. If no duplicate pieces are shown on the drawing, this column is not used and it is understood that but one member or unit is to be estimated. Column No. 3 is the "first dimension" column, or "length" column. Column No. 4 is the "second dimension," or "width" column. Column No. 5 is the "third dimension," or "height" column. Column No. 6 is the "quantity" column and should contain the extended quantity only. Column No. 7 is the "summary" column in which the total of the "quantity" column is shown reduced to the unit

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of measure generally accepted as the standard measure ready for pricing out, as cubic yards of concrete, tons of steel reinforcement, etc. Column No. 8 is for the "unit price." Column No. 9 is the "total" column, for the product obtained by multiplying the summarized quantity by the unit price. This product is carried out in even dollars.

On account of the comparatively large amount of detail work involved in estimating the cost of reinforced concrete construction, it is quite important that a definite system or "order of scaling" be laid out and carefully followed. If this is done, the work of "scaling the plans" is greatly simplified and the liability of error is reduced to a minimum. In preparing the list or "order of scaling," the items to be scaled should be considered in the order of actual job construction with one or two exceptions mentioned later on in this chapter.

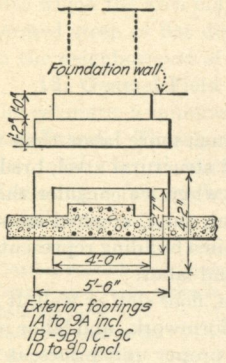


FIG. 1.

2*a*. Area and Cube.—At the beginning of each estimate for a building should be noted the square foot area of the floors of the building and the cubical contents of the structure. This is done in order that the estimator may, with practice, learn to judge the cost of the work quite closely on a square and cube foot basis before the estimate is begun. Practice of this kind, checked up after the estimate is completed, will be very helpful in developing the estimator's judgment. In considering the area, the floors (including basements) are measured and the dimensions are taken "out to out." For instance, the areas of a building two stories high, 160 ft. long, and 60 ft. wide should appear on the estimate sheet as follows: $2 \times 160 \times 60 =$ 19,200 sq. ft. The cubical contents of the building should be figured from the same length and width dimensions and the total height from the bottom of the basement floor to the top of the roof slab. The cubical contents or "cube" as it is commonly called, would appear as follows: $160 \times 60 \times 23\frac{2}{3} = 227{,}200$ cu. ft.

2*b*. Concrete—*Exterior and Interior Footings.*—In "scaling" the quantities of a concrete footing it is necessary to first determine the amount of concrete in the footing by tabulating in the proper column of the estimate sheet the dimensions of the footing. For example, Fig. 1 represents one of twenty-two typical exterior column footings for a reinforced concrete building. First describe the footings in column No. 1 as follows: footing No. 1A to 9A inclusive, 1B and 9B, 1C and 9C, and 1D to 9D inclusive. Next, in column No. 2 note the number of footings which are alike (in this case 22). In the "length" column, note the length of the lower block ($5\frac{1}{2}$ ft.), following with the width and height dimensions ($4\frac{1}{6}$ ft. and $1\frac{1}{6}$ ft., respectively). Thus the concrete contained in the lower blocks of these 22 footings is tabulated as $22 \times 5\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{6} \times 1\frac{1}{6}$. On the line below should be tabulated the upper block of the footings which will appear $22 \times 4 \times 2\frac{7}{12} \times 1$. The scaling of the quantities in the interior footings (Fig. 2) is handled in the same way and, when properly tabulated on the estimate sheet, appears as follows:

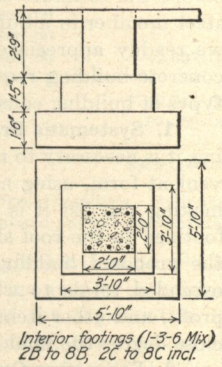


FIG. 2.

Concrete-Exterior footings (1-3-6 Mix)										
1A to 9A incl.										
1B and 9B	22	×	$5\frac{1}{2}$	×	$4\frac{1}{6}$	×	$1\frac{1}{6}$	=		
1C and 9C	22	×	4	×	$2\frac{7}{12}$	×	1	=		
1D to 9D incl.									=	C.Y.
Concrete-Interior footings (1-3-6 Mix)										
2B to 8B incl.	14	×	$5\frac{5}{6}$	×	$5\frac{5}{6}$	×	$1\frac{5}{6}$	=		
2C to 8C incl.	14	×	$3\frac{5}{6}$	×	$3\frac{5}{6}$	×	$1\frac{5}{6}$	=		
	14	×	2	×	2	×	$2\frac{1}{6}$	=		

This completes the "scaling" of the concrete in the footings. It will not be necessary to refer to the plans again in order to get the form quantities in connection with these footings. This will be explained later on under "Formwork."

It will be noted that fractions are used instead of inches or decimal parts of a foot. To use inches makes extension of totals difficult and the tabulation unwieldy. To use decimals is inviting error as the decimal point is very likely to be misplaced or omitted. Years of practice have proved that the only safe method is to use fractions of a foot when inches are implied and no fraction to be smaller than one-twelfth (1/12). Thus: 3 ft. 5 in. = 3 5/12 ft., 6 ft. 9 in. = 6 3/4 ft., and 8 ft. 10 in. = 8 5/6 ft. Where half inches are involved in concrete work (except in the thickness of floors), the fraction should be equivalent to the next higher even inches. For example: 6 ft. 5 1/2 in. = 6 1/2 ft. and 7 ft. 2 1/2 in. = 7 1/4 ft. This ruling can be safely followed without danger of gross error with the exception of floor thickness which will be discussed under "Floor Slabs."

As all handbooks show the weights of steel bars in decimal parts of a pound, it will be necessary to use decimals in computing the tonnage of steel reinforcement.

The slide rule will be found of great value in extending the quantities and its intelligent use will result in both speed and accuracy. All arithmetical computations should be checked by a second person before the estimate is submitted.

Certain abbreviations are used to simplify the scaling of reinforced concrete. In order to remove as far as possible the liability of error, it has been found that by reversing the order of the letters in some of the abbreviations that fewer mistakes are made due to carelessly made letters placed next to figures being mistaken for figures themselves. The following abbreviations have been used extensively and are recommended; c.y. = cubic yards, s.y. = square yards, f.c. = cubic feet, s.f. = square feet, f.l. = linear feet, sqs. = squares (100 sq. ft.), # = when placed first stands for the number of units, # = when placed after stands for pounds, Ddt. = deduct.

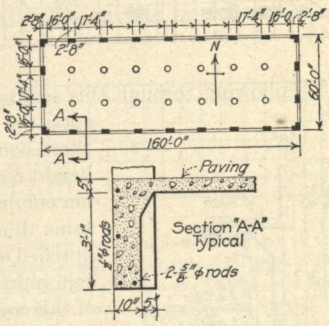


FIG. 3.

Foundation Walls.—Under this heading, generally speaking, should be included all concrete walls below grade. In scaling such walls the quantity scaled should include all concrete above grade which can be correctly classed as a part of the foundation walk. For example, a cellar wall may extend a foot or more above grade before reaching the level of the first floor, yet the part above grade will be classed as foundation wall along with the part of this wall which is built below the grade level. It is the usual practice to include under the heading of "Foundation Walls" all the concrete walls which are below the level of the first floor and includes area walls, pit walls, etc. Fig. 3 represents a cross section and plan of the foundation wall extending around a reinforced concrete building having a length of 160 ft. and a width of 60 ft. In scaling the quantity of concrete in this foundation wall the sections or pieces of wall should be considered by elevation as follows:

Concrete-Foundation walls								
South elev.	160	x	5/6	x	3 1/12	=		
splayed top	[160 - (9 x 2 2/3)]	x	1/4 av.	x	5/6	=		
pilasters	7 x 2 2/3	x	5/12	x	3 1/12	=		
East elev.	(60 - 1 2/3)	x	5/6	x	3 1/12	=		
splayed top	[60 - (4 x 2 2/3)]	x	1/4 av.	x	5/6	=		
pilasters	2 x 2 2/3	x	5/12	x	3 1/12	=		
North elev.	160	x	5/6	x	3 1/12	=		
splayed top	[160 - (9 x 2 2/3)]	x	1/4 av.	x	5/6	=		
pilasters	7 x 2 2/3	x	5/12	x	3 1/12	=		
West elev.	(60 - 1 2/3)	x	5/6	x	3 1/12	=		
splayed top	[60 - (4 x 2 2/3)]	x	1/4 av.	x	5/6	=		
pilasters	2 x 2 2/3	x	5/12	x	3 1/12	=		
Corner piers	4 x [(1 5/6 x 1 5/6) - (1/2 x 1 5/6)]	x			3 1/12	=	=	C.Y.

It will be noted that in scaling the concrete foundation wall shown above, the wall on the side or south elevation is scaled for the full length of the elevation. The quantity of concrete in the splayed part is added as part of the foundation wall. The concrete in the 7 piers or pilasters is then added, always considering the dimensions in the order of length, width, and height. Next the east or end wall is scaled (progressing anti-clockwise). In the case of the ends, in order to avoid doubling the amount of material in the corners, the inside dimension is scaled instead of the outside "overall" dimension. This dimension should be set down in the length column to read (60–1 2/3). The concrete in the two piers or pilasters is next added. The north wall is scaled similar to the south, and the west similar to the east. The concrete in the 4 corner piers is then added and the scaling for the foundation wall is complete.

Exterior and Interior Columns.—Fig. 4 represents a part cross section showing the typical exterior columns of a building 160 ft. long and 60 ft. wide. Assuming these typical columns to be

spaced 20 ft. apart, there will be 18 such columns in the building and 4 corner columns. The scaling of the quantity of concrete in these columns will appear as follows:

Concrete-Exterior Cols. (1-2-4)								
1st story								
2A to 8A incl. 1B, 9B, 1C, 9C 2D to 8D incl.	18	x	2⅔	x	1¼	x	11	=
Corner cols.	4	x	[(2⅔ x 2⅔) − (1⅞ x 1⅞)]			x	11	=
Mullion			1¼	x	1½	x	11	=
Col. brackets	18	x	4⅓		cubic feet			=
2nd story (1-2-4)								
Same as 1st story	18	x	2⅔	x	1¼	x	11½	=
corner cols.	4	x	[(2⅔ x 2⅔) − (1⅞ x 1⅞)]			x	11½	=
Mullion			1¼	x	1½	x	10	=
Col. brackets	18	x	4⅓		cubic feet			=

= c.y.

Following through this scaling we have in the "times" column the number 18, which denotes the number of typical exterior columns in each story. In the next three columns of the estimate sheet are found the length, width, and height respectively of the columns being scaled. Each of the four corner columns has both exterior faces of the same dimension, but the inside corner is notched out. This complicates the expression representing the cross-sectional area of this corner column, which is set down in the "length" and "width" columns of the estimating sheet. This expression consists of two parts. The first part represents a rectangular column and the second part represents the area of the notched portion of the column which is to be deducted from the larger area. Corner columns or irregular columns should always be scaled in this manner. The second story columns are scaled similar to the first story columns above discussed. As the concrete brackets only remain to be scaled it is necessary to count up the number of brackets and to determine the approximate number of cubic feet of concrete in one bracket. This completes the scaling of concrete in the exterior columns.

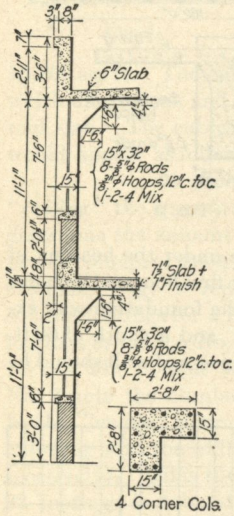


Fig. 4.

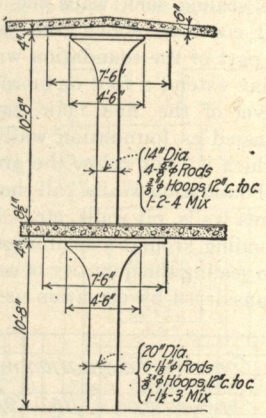


Fig. 5.

The scaling for the interior columns is done in a similar manner, unless they happen to be round instead of square. Suppose Fig. 5 represents a typical interior first and second story column of a building in which these are 14 suse columns. The scaling for these 14 first story and 14 second story columns would appear as follows:

Concrete-Interior cols. (1-1½-3)							
1st story							
2B to 8B, 2C to 8C. Col. heads	14	x	(20" dia.)	2⅓ s.f. x	10⅝ cubic feet	=	
	14	x	13			=	= c.y.
2nd story (1-2-4)							
Same as 1st story Col. heads	14	x	(14" dia.)	1½ s.f. x	11⅛ avg. cubic feet	=	
	14	x	19			=	= c.y.

In scaling the interior columns the second column on the estimate sheet should contain the number of identicl members being scaled (14 in this case). As these interior columns are round it is not possible to use the "length" and "width" columns exactly as outlined at the beginning of this chapter. These two columns should contain

however, figures which represent the cross-sectional area of the column. It is best to do this by noting the diameter of the column, enclosing same in parenthesis. Immediately following should be noted in square feet the cross-sectional area of the column. The "height" column should contain the length of the member from floor to the level of the bottom of drop panel. Next is noted in the "times" column the number of column heads (usually the same as the number of columns) and in the "length" and "width" columns the approximate number of cubic feet of concrete in the head which is in excess of the shaft already scaled. The similar tabulation of the upper story columns completes the scaling of interior column concrete.

Floor Slabs and Roof Slab.—Scaling the quantity of concrete in floor and roof slabs is very simple. As in scaling the concrete for beams and columns, the dimensions should be taken off in the order of length, width, and height. For instance, suppose it is necessary to scale the concrete in the second floor slab and roof slab of a reinforced concrete building 160 ft. long and 60 ft. wide. The second floor slab is 7½ in. thick and the edge of the slab is set back 2 in. from line of face of building. There is a stair well opening in the slab 18¼ ft. long and 10 ft. wide. The roof slab is 6 in. thick and has no opening. The quantities of concrete would appear as follows:

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parapets, etc., are scaled in this manner. If the beams are considered individually, omissions of entire beams are very likely to occur and the error would easily be passed unnoticed

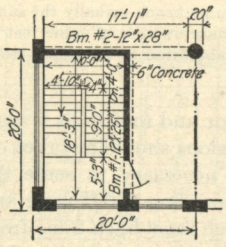


FIG. 6.

Interior Floor Beams.—Interior floor beams are usually scaled by simply noting in the "description" column the location or index number of the beam or beams. The "times" column should contain the number of identical beams, and the "length," "width," and "height" columns should be used according to rulings set forth throughout the preceding pages of this chapter. The height of a beam should always be taken exclusive of the slab thickness. Beams around stair openings should be treated in the same way except that sketches of the cross section of the beam should usually be made in the "description" column as a help in determining the form work as explained later on under "Formwork for Beams." For instance, if we have two stair well beams as shown in Fig. 6 the quantities of concrete would appear as follows:

Concrete–Interior floor beams						
2nd fl. at stairs						
Bm #1, 12"x26"	18¼	× 1	× 1⅓	=	} =	C.Y.
Same Bm #2-12"x28"	10	× 1	× 1⅔	=		
Bm #2, 12"x28"	7½	× 1	× 1⅔	=		

Partitions.—Concrete partitions are scaled in the same manner as interior concrete beams. In the "description" column should be noted the approximate location or character of the partitions and the remaining columns of the estimate sheet are to be used as hereinbefore set forth, always bearing in mind that, in this case, the thickness of the partition is the "width" or second dimension scaled. The concrete quantities appear below for the 6-in. concrete partitions shown in Fig. 6 and occurring on the first and second floors of a building having a story height of about 11 ft.

Concrete–Partitions						
around stairs, 1st.	(10+18¾)	× ½	× 11	=		
deduct for door	3	× ½	× 7	= Ddt		
2nd story	(10+18¾)	× ½	× 11½	=	} =	C.Y.
deduct for door	3	× ½	× 7	= Ddt		

Window Sills and Copings.—Concrete window sills and copings are scaled by the linear foot and in taking off the quantity of each, the work proceeds by elevations. For instance, in the "description" column should appear the words "south elevation" after which should appear in the "times" and "length" columns the number and length of the window sills or coping on the south elevation. The east, north, and west elevations should then be considered in turn. A cross-sectional sketch or notation as to size of sill or coping should be made in the "description" column, as a help in determining the correct unit price per linear foot when the work of pricing the estimate is to be done. The following illustrates the proper method of scaling window sills. Should concrete copings occur on top of brick parapet walls similar methods should be observed.

Concrete–Window sills (incl'g forms and reinf.)					
13"x6"Sq. 4-⅜" rods	12	× 17⅓			
	2	× 16			
	2	× 6⅔			
	1	× 8			
	2	× 17⅓			
	4	× 16			
	12	× 17⅓			
	4	× 16			
	2	× 17⅓			
	4	× 16			
				}	L.F.

Stairs and Landings.—Fig. 7 represents the flight of reinforced concrete stairs shown in Fig. 6. In order to "scale" the stairs it is necessary to count the number of nosings (18 in this case), and set the number down in the "length" column. The "width" column should contain the length of each nosing from wall to outer edge. The product of the two dimensions will give the linear feet of nosing which should be taken as the standard of measure for concrete stairs. The landings are measured by the square foot and the landing beams may be neglected, as in pricing out the cost of the landing per square foot, proper allowance is made for the extra cost of the landing beam. The thickness of the landing slab may also be

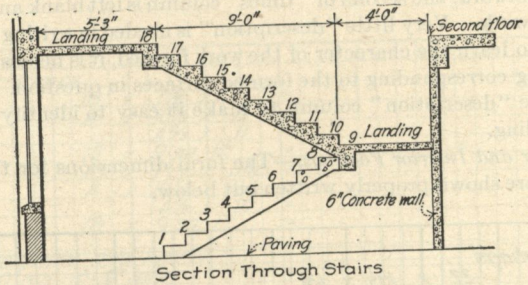


FIG. 7.

neglected as in the case of the stairs. Concrete stairs and landings, unless of special design, may be considered in this manner without appreciable error in cost estimating. Below is given the proper scaling of the concrete stairs and landing shown in Figs. 6 and 7.

Concrete-Stairs and Landings					
stair nosings	18 x 4 5/6	=	} =		fl.
landings	10 x 4	=			s.f.
	10 x 5 1/3	=			

Paving.—Concrete paving is a term applied to an unreinforced concrete slab resting on earth fill, such as a basement floor or the first floor of a building where no basement is called for. In scaling the quantity of concrete in a concrete paving the same rules are observed as laid down for a concrete slab. The concrete in a piece of paving 5 in. thick and 160 ft. long by 60 ft. wide would appear on the estimate sheet as follows:

Concrete-Paving	160 x 60 x 5/12	=		c.y.

Granolithic Finish.—Scaling the quantity of granolithic finish in a building is done at this stage of the estimate because the surfaces having granolithic finish applied to them have already been scaled, and it is simply a matter of referring to previous dimensions in order to determine the quantity of granolithic finish required. For instance, if the second floor slab previously scaled is to be finished with a granolithic finish of the "laid after" type, and on the paving above an integral granolithic finish is called for, the granolithic finish dimensions would appear on the estimate sheet as follows:

Granolithic finish-(laid after)				
2nd floor	(59 3/4-2 1/2) x (59 3/4-2 1/2) =	} =		s.f.
deduct	10 x 18 1/4 Ddt =			
Granolithic finish-(laid integral)				
paving	(59 3/4-2 1/2) x (59 3/4-2 1/2) =			s.f.

Carborundum Rubbing.—The area of the surfaces to be treated with carborumdum rubbing can be more easily determined if left until the formed surfaces have been determined. This will be taken up in another part of the chapter.

2c. Formwork.—If the foregoing rules have been carefully followed in regard to scaling concrete, the work of determining the amount of formwork necessary to mould the concrete may be very easily done with practically no further reference to the drawings, and at the same time the results are accomplished in the least possible time. In writing out the form dimensions it is necessary to refer to the concrete dimensions and copy such figures as will give the formed surfaces. As but three columns of the estimating sheet are needed in tabulating the dimensions for formwork, the second or "times" column is left blank and the remaining three columns used for this work. Very little "description" is needed in writing out formwork dimensions, since, in order to learn the character of the work formed, it is necessary only to turn back to the concrete scaling corresponding to the formed surfaces in question. Enough description should be given in the "description" column to make it easy to identify the form dimensions with the concrete scaling.

Forms for Exterior and Interior Footings.—The form dimensions for the concrete footings as scaled from Fig. 2 are shown properly written out below.

Forms-Exterior footings														
	22	x	19⅓	x	1⅙	=								
	22	x	13⅙	x	1	=								
Interior footings	14	x	23⅓	x	1½	=	}	=			s.f.			
	14	x	15⅓	x	1 11/12	=								
	14	x	8	x	2¾	=								

The first number written out is 22 and represents the number of footings being formed. The second dimension is 19⅓ and represents the perimeter of the lower block. The third dimension is 1⅙ and represents the height in feet of the lower block. On the next line below occur the dimensions of the formed surfaces of the upper block of the exterior footings treated in the same manner. The interior footings are treated in the same way. The product of these figures as shown will give the surfaces of concrete in the footings which must be provided with forms, and is to be priced out in the estimate as "surface measurement."

Forms for Foundation Walls.—In scaling the forms for foundation walls it must be remembered that both sides of the wall are to be formed, hence the first figure written down must be the figure 2. The figures shown below represent the correct tabulation of the form dimensions for the concrete foundation wall as scaled from Fig. 3.

Forms-Foundation walls														
South-	2	x	160	x	3 1/12	=								
pilasters (sides)	(2x7)	x	9/12	x	3 1/12	=								
East-	2	x	(60-1⅓)	x	3 1/12	=								
pilasters	(2x2)	x	9/12	x	3 1/12	=								
North-	2	x	160	x	3 1/12	=	}	=			s.f.			
pilasters	(2x7)	x	9/12	x	3 1/12	=								
West-	2	x	(60-1⅓)	x	3 1/12	=								
pilasters	(2x2)	x	9/12	x	3 1/12	=								
edge of paving	[(2x160)+(2x60)]	x	9/12	=										

First the figure 2 denotes that two sides are formed. Next in order is found the length of the wall to be formed, and last the height of the formwork. Both the length and height dimensions of the wall are taken directly from the concrete scaling. The piers are projections on the face of the wall and, as the face of the pier is already measured when the face of the wall is taken, it is necessary to add only the surfaces of the edges of the piers to complete the foundation wall forms. The corner piers do not increase the amount of formed surface and may be neglected in writing out the form dimensions. Forms must be provided for the edge of the paving concrete and this is usually added to the foundation wall forms.

Forms for Exterior and Interior Columns.—In writing out the form dimensions for exterior columns and other rectangular or notched columns, the same rules are followed as have been laid

down for footing forms. There are but three dimensions or numbers to write down on the estimate sheet, viz., number of columns, perimeter of column, and height of the surface formed. These dimensions may be taken directly from the concrete scaling.

The forms for round columns and column heads are usually made of sheet steel or iron and instead of determining the square feet of formed surface it is necessary only to list the number of columns formed, the diameter and the height of the columns. The forms for the brackets are determined by simply listing the number of brackets and determining the approximate number of square feet in one bracket. The formed surface of the bracket should be kept separate from the main column forms as the unit price of labor is at least double for this work. Below will be found the form dimensions for the exterior and interior columns as taken from the concrete scaled or from Figs. 4 and 5.

Forms- Exterior columns										
1st story	18	x	7 5/6	x	11	=				
corner cols.	4	x	10 2/3	x	11	=				
mullion			4 2/3	x	11	=				
brackets	18	x	9 sq. ft.			=	} =	s.f.		
2nd story	18	x	7 5/6	x	11 1/2	=				
corner cols.	4	x	10 2/3	x	11 1/2	=				
mullion			4 2/3	x	10	=				
brackets	18	x	9 sq. ft.			=				
Forms- Interior columns and heads										
steel forms 20" dia.-10'-8" long									# 14	
14" dia.-11'-2" "									# 14	

Forms for Floor Slabs and Roof Slab.—In writing out the forms for flat slabs it is only necessary to determine the area of the slab. The length and width dimensions of the slab are taken directly from the scaled dimensions of the concrete without reference to the plans. The areas of the bottoms of the drop panels should be deducted by referring to the scaling of the concrete in the drop panels. If the slab forms are for the beam and girder type of floor, the area of the slab is determined as above and then the beam bottoms are deducted from the slab areas. To deduct the beam bottoms it is necessary to refer to the scaled dimensions of the floor beams and girders and select the dimensions which represent the bottom surfaces of all beams occurring in the floors. Deductions for openings are made from form quantities only when the area equals or exceeds 25 sq. ft., and then the full opening should not be deducted as an allowance must be made for the formwork required to form the concrete at the edge of the opening. The forms for the concrete floor and roof slab scaled on p. 1049 have been properly written out below and comparisons should be made with the concrete scaling in order to fully understand the method.

Forms - Floor slabs and roof slab										
2nd Floor			159 2/3	x	59 2/3	=				
deduct stairop'g			17	x	8 1/4	= Ddt				
deduct drop panels	14	x	7 1/2	x	7 1/2	= Ddt	} =	s.f.		
roof			160	x	60	=				
deduct drop panels	14	x	7 1/2	x	7 1/2	= Ddt				

Forms For Drop Panels.—Drop panels are part of the floor slab concrete and as the areas of the bottoms of the drop panels have been deducted from the floor slab it is necessary to add this area back again under this heading. The formed areas of the edges should also be added to the area of the bottoms. No deduction is made for the opening in the bottom of the drop panel form where the column head joins the drop panel. The dimensions written out below represent the formed areas of the concrete in the drop panels as scaled from Fig. 5.

Forms - Drop panels.									
2nd floor	14	x	7 1/2	x	7 1/2	=			
edge	14	x	30	x	1/3	=	} =	s.f.	
roof	14	x	7 1/2	x	7 1/2	=			
edge	14	x	30	x	5/12	=			

Forms For Wall Beams.—To properly write out the forms for wall beams, curtain walls, parapet beams, etc., it is necessary to observe the rules laid down for foundation walls. Both sides are formed, hence the necessity of the figure 2 appearing before the dimension representing the linear feet of wall beam. The height of a wall beam is figured from the inside vertical height. As this leaves the outside edge of the floor slab without forms, it is necessary to add an area of formed surface equal to the perimeter of the building multiplied by the thickness of the floor slab. This takes account of all exposed surfaces to be formed except the projecting sides of the concrete in the columns at the floor level for a height equal to the thickness of the floor slab only. This is so small that it may be neglected. The forms for the parapet are written out following the same principles as outlined for wall beams. The forms for the wall beams and parapet in Fig. 4 have been properly shown below and comparisons with the corresponding concrete scaled from Fig. 4 should be made.

Forms-Wall beams						
2nd floor -	2	x (370⅔)	x	1½	=	
edge of slab	[(2x160)+(2x60)]		x	⅔	=	
roof parapet	2	x 437⅓	x	2⅝	=	= S.F.
projections		440	x	¼	=	
edge of slab	[(2x160)+(2x60)]		x	½	=	

Forms For Interior Floor Beams.—If no sketches appear in the "description" column of the scaling of the concrete in the floor beams, it is assumed that a slab of uniform thickness rests upon the beams. The number of beams and length of the beams are first written down as for other concrete members of similar structure. As the scaled dimension of the beam height is taken to the bottom of the slab only, it is quite simple to compute mentally the sum of the two side dimensions plus the bottom dimension. This represents the formed area of one linear foot of beam and should be written down in the fourth or "width" column of the estimate sheet. The product of these dimensions will give the area of the formed surfaces of the interior floor beams. If accompanying sketches show that other formwork is necessary to completely form the beam, proper additions should be made to take care of this work. The formed surfaces of the concrete as scaled in the floor beams shown in Fig. 6 are somewhat irregular as they occur at stair openings. The quantities of this formwork appear below.

Forms-Interior floor beams					
2nd fl. Bm #1	18¼	x	4⅔	=	
" #2	10	x	5	=	= S.F.
" #3	7½	x	4¼	=	

Forms For Partitions.—In writing out the formed areas of concrete partitions, the same rules are observed as for other wall forms. Openings are not deducted unless the area of the opening equals or exceeds 25 sq. ft. The formed areas for the concrete partitions shown in Fig. 6 are given below.

Forms-Partitions						
1st story.	2	x (28¾)	x	11	=	
2nd story.	2	x (28¾)	x	11⅙	=	= sf.

Forms For Window Sills, Copings, Stairs and Landings.—No formed areas are computed for window sills, copings, stairs and landings as the unit price appearing opposite the summarized quantity of concrete is made up to include the cost of formwork and reinforcement as well as concrete, hence the forms are not written out.

Formed Surfaces—Carborundum Rubbed.—Referring back to the subject of carborundum rubbing, since the form dimensions are written out, it is very simple to determine the square feet of surface to be rubbed. This may be done very quickly by picking out from the formed

areas the surfaces which, according to specification, must be treated in this manner. It will be found most convenient to leave the work of determining the area of concrete surfaces to be rubbed until after the extension of the form dimensions has been completed. The surface measurements of all formed surfaces will then be found in the "quantity" column reduced to square feet, and the total area of the rubbed surfaces may be quickly determined.

2*d*. Reinforcement.—Scaling the quantity of reinforcement in a concrete building is a process by which the tonnage of steel bars is obtained. It is not necessary to make a schedule of the bars in the entire building, as it means a large amount of tedious work and in the end the same result is obtained. Footing reinforcement is usually scaled by listing the size of the bars first, then the number of bars needed, and finally the length of the bar itself. Oftentimes it will be found convenient to compute the number of pounds of reinforcement in a footing and then multiply by the number of footings. Reinforcement in foundation walls may be figured at the number of pounds per square foot of wall. Column reinforcement is usually taken off the plans in detail, listing the size, number of bars, and the length of the bars in the regular order. Slab reinforcement is almost always computed on the square foot basis and all beam reinforcement by the number of pounds per lineal foot of beam. Curtain wall and partition reinforcement is computed by the number of pounds to a square foot of reinforced surface. In computing reinforcement on the square foot and lineal foot basis, care must be taken to allow for all secondary steel, laps for bond, stirrups, construction bars, waste, etc. It will require careful practice in order to scale reinforcement accurately by this method, but once thoroughly understood, it will be found a very reliable and rapid method. The reinforcement is listed in the same order as the forms and the different types may be easily grouped for pricing.

2*e*. Excavation—*General or Steam Shovel Excavation.*—General excavation is the term applied to the process of removing the earth for basements, or cutting down the grade to the paving level. General excavation does not include the excavation for the footing holes below the paving level or other small excavated areas where hand work entirely must be used. Steam shovels, scraper diggers, or hand work may be used in general excavation and when the quantity is scaled for estimating purposes, notation should be made of the probable method to be employed in doing the work. In scaling the dimensions for general excavation the order should be the same as for scaling concrete work, viz., length, width, and height, and should be written down in the proper columns of the estimate sheet. Proper allowance should be made for slope of the earth work outside of the exterior footings when the length and width dimensions are scaled. If the general excavation is done by hand, vertical sheeting may be used instead of excavating to a slope. All these conditions should be noted in the "description" column when the scaling is done.

Footing Excavation.—The labor of removing earth for footing holes, pits, trenches, etc., is nearly always done by hand and should be described on the estimate sheet as "Footing Excavation." In scaling the quantities for footing excavation the nature of the soil to be removed should be noted as well as the location of the footing hole in respect to the plans. Footing holes excavated to a depth exceeding 4 ft. should be scaled net, that is, add but 6 in. to the length and width dimensions of the footing for the size of the excavated hole. This allows for the thickness of the sheeting lumber generally used in connection with footing excavation exceeding 4 ft. but not exceeding 10 ft. in depth. In scaling footing excavation when the depth is less than 4 ft., no sheeting is used but proper allowance is made in scaling dimensions to allow for the slope of the earth work. When sheeting is used for footing excavation the sheeting usually serves as formwork for the lower block of concrete in the footing.

Backfill.—Backfill is a term applied to the labor of rehandling excavated material after the footings have been placed and it becomes necessary to fill in around the footing, wall, or other foundation work. This quantity usually equals the amount of earth removed in excavating for the footing, as the amount of earth which is left after the footing hole is properly backfilled must be rehandled and disposed of in some other way. Where the earth work is a large part of the job operations, the backfill and general disposition of excavated material should be carefully considered.

Sheeting.—As the form dimensions are written out from the scaled dimensions of the concrete work, so are the sheeting dimensions written out from the scaled dimensions of the excavation. Sheeting is estimated by the square feet of surface measurement of earth retained. No allowance is made for the distance the sheeting penetrates the ground below the bottom of the excavated hole or for the distance above the top of the earth work retained.

2*f*. Masonry—*Brick Work.*—Brick work, where more than 4 in. thick, is estimated by the cubic foot. In order to determine the cubic feet of brick work in a wall, the dimensions are scaled in the same manner as outlined for "Concrete Partitions." In scaling the brick work in the exterior walls of a building, the work should be done by elevations and adequate description given to make it easy to check over the work to see if any part has been omitted. The quantities should contain the actual number of cubic feet of brick work to be built and no more. All openings should be deducted exactly as they are shown and no allowances made in the quantity to take care of work which may be more or less expensive to construct than the average unit price will pay for. After the actual cubic feet of brick work in a building is determined, the unit price should then be made up to correspond with the class of work to be built.

Brick Veneer.—Brick veneer is usually laid up 4 in. thick and is so noted in the "description" column together with other notations regarding the character and location of the work. As brick veneer is estimated by the square foot in scaling the quantity, it is necessary to determine the length and height only of the work, using columns No. 4 and No. 5 in which to write down these dimensions. The work should proceed by elevations as in the case of scaling other classes of brick work.

Terra Cotta Partitions.—Partitions built from hollow terra cotta blocks are estimated by the number of blocks laid up in a wall. As nearly all hollow terra cotta blocks have a face measurement of one square foot each, the number of blocks in the terra cotta wall corresponds to the number of square feet in the face of the partition. In scaling the square feet of terra cotta partition, it is necessary to observe the same methods as were laid down for scaling "Concrete Partitions." Notation should always be made in the "description" column regarding the type of block specified and the thickness of the partition. All deductions should be accurately made. It may be stated here that the mortar joints in the work offset the usual breakage of the blocks in transit and no allowance therefore need be made for either mortar joints or breakage.

2*g* Plastering.—Plastering is measured by the square yard of surface measure and the dimensions making up the quantity are usually taken directly from the scaled dimensions of the terra cotta partitions, ceilings, walls, or other surfaces in a manner similar to the way in which carborundum rubbed surfaces are determined. In the "description" column should be noted the number of coats called for, kind of cement specified, and other notations helpful in deciding upon proper unit prices.

2*h*. Steel Sash.—In estimating steel sash, the important points to consider are size of opening, uniformity of size and type, percentage of ventilation, and operation. The "description" column should contain information relative to all these points. In scaling the size of the opening the number of identical sash should first be listed in the second column of the estimate sheet. The length and height of the openings should follow in the third and fourth columns respectively. The sash openings should be scaled by elevations as by this method omissions of a large character would be quickly noted when the dimensions were extended.

2*i*. Glass and Glazing.—After noting in the "description" column the kind and size of glass specified, it is a simple matter to determine the number of square feet of glass required to glaze the sash. For estimating purposes it is sufficiently close if we assume that 90% of the sash area is made up of glass. Therefore, the glass required is usually carried out on the estimate sheet as 90% of sash area.

2*j*. Doors, Frames, and Hardware.—In listing the doors, frames, and hardware in a building, the doors should be considered individually or by types. The location and character of the door should be noted in the "description" column together with notations as to frame and hardware. In writing down the size of the door, the width should be first con-

sidered and the height last. For instance, a door 2 ft. 8 in. wide by 6 ft. 8 in. high should appear on the estimate sheet as $\frac{2}{8} \times \frac{6}{8}$. The number of doors of a kind is written down in the "summary" column as the scaling is done.

2k. Light Iron Work and Miscellaneous Iron.—No special ruling can be set down as governing the scaling of light iron work for general estimating purposes. The estimator should list intelligently all such material and at the same time endeavor to scale the dimensions in a manner which will result in the quantity being reduced to the proper basis for pricing out. Pipe hand rails should be in lineal feet, safety stair treads in lineal feet, steel inserts by the piece, cast-iron scuppers by the piece, and curb angle guards by the lineal feet at so many pounds per foot, etc., etc It is also customary to carry out in the "total" column a certain sum of money decided upon in the judgment of the estimator as adequate to cover miscellaneous iron work not shown or called for on plans or in specifications, but which invariably must be supplied by the builder.

2l. Roofing and Flashing.—The roofing dimensions are usually taken directly from the scaling of the concrete for the roof slab. This is generally full measure as the parapet beams reduce the roofing area slightly below the slab area but as roofing is measured in units of squares (100 sq. ft.) the result is quite correct. In scaling the roofing area, it is first necessary to note in the "description" column the kind of roofing required and the guarantee. Flashings are a part of the roofing contract and should be scaled immediately following the roofing. Base and cap flashings are estimated by the lineal foot and notation should be made of the kind of metal specified together with the number of inches in width required to flash one lineal foot. Metal *gravel* strip should be scaled in the same manner. Conductor boxes are estimated by the piece and should be listed in the "summary" column accompanied by proper description.

2m. Painting.—Painting of walls and ceilings is measured by the square yard and as in estimating the amount of carborundum rubbing, the painted surfaces may be determined by referring to the extended dimensions of the form areas of the concrete work. Other painted work, such as brick walls, terra cotta walls, etc., may be determined readily by referring to the quantities already scaled for this work and the total painted areas then reduced to square yards and written down in the "summary" column.

Painting steel sash and doors is also measured by the square yard. To determine the amount of painting on the steel sash and doors of a building, refer to the scalings for the sash and doors adding together the flat areas just as though the entire areas were to be painted like a door. Double this area as doors and sash are painted two sides. Then divide this amount by 9 and the result is the square yards of painting to be estimated, and should appear in the "summary" column of the estimate sheet.

Painting light iron, miscellaneous iron, etc., is usually a small item and is not figured on a square yard basis, but rather by the judgment of the estimator. The amount of money allowed for this depends entirely upon the miscellaneous iron to be painted and each job is considered individually.

2n. Engineering, Plans, Etc.—Sometimes the builder is called upon to include in his estimate the cost of preparing designs and plans for the work to be estimated. The percentage of cost varies with the type of building and the skill of the engineers doing the work. Ordinarily the plans of a regular reinforced concrete factory can be prepared, from the surveys to the finished drawings and details, for 3% of the net cost of the completed structure.

2o. Clean Up The Job At Completion.—The estimator must allow a sum of money sufficient to cover the cost of cleaning up the job at completion, removing debris from the site, washing windows, and leaving job broom clean.

2p. Liability Insurance.—An item must be included in the estimate which will cover the cost of carrying liability insurance for the period of the job. The rate varies in different localities and with different contractors. The percentages may run as low as 3% of the amount expended for labor costs. As the labor expense involved in constructing a regular reinforced concrete building amounts to about one-third of the total cost of the building, the amount of money to be allowed for liability insurance premiums is easily determined when the rate is known. For instance, suppose the rate is 6% of the labor and the total estimate amounts to $62,000 without profit. If this building is a regular reinforced concrete factory, the labor involved would be about one-third of $62,000 or approximately $21,000. Com-

puting 6% of $21,000 we have $1260. The amount of money carried in the estimate for liability insurance premiums could well be taken at $1250.

2q. Watchman.—In order to estimate the cost of employing a watchman while a building operation is going on, it is first necessary to determine approximately the number of weeks required to construct the building. This decided upon, it is a matter of computing the expense of employing a watchman for this length of time at a proper weekly wage.

2r. Superintendence, Job Overhead, Office Expenses, Etc.—Under this head must be included all the expense attached to maintaining a job office, including the job superintendent. It is the usual custom to determine the amount of this expense for one week and multiply this amount by the number of weeks this office must be maintained. Under the head of "Superintendence, Office, Etc.," must be figured the wages of the following men: job superintendent, time keeper, chief office clerk, and tool boy. On specially large jobs the office force will consist of more men than above listed, while on a very small job the personnel may be cut down by arranging to have the chief clerk act as timekeeper in connection with his other duties. The cost of telephones, stationery, railroad fares, freight on supplies, building and dismantling office, etc., must be considered. These are items which may be easily estimated at too low a figure. Proper consideration should be given to every expense entering into this item if the estimate is to be an accurate one in which allowance has been made for proper and competent job management.

2s. Sundries.—It often occurs that estimates are made from plans not completely finished or from poorly prepared drawings. The uncertainty attached to making estimates from such plans makes it advisable to conclude the estimate with an item for sundries, the amount of which should be determined in the estimator's judgment as being adequate to protect his estimate against over-runs due to his having omitted some work implied but not shown or called for. The amount of this item should be based on a percentage of the total estimated cost not including profit and usually runs from 2 to 5% according to the condition of the plans. It is very seldom an estimate should be prepared without any allowance for over-runs due to unforeseen conditions.

2t. Profit.—The percentage of profit is figured on the total cost of the work including labor and material, etc. It may be a very low percentage or may be very high, depending entirely on the basis the contractor is operating his business. Eight per cent is considered a very low profit and the contractor must do a large volume of business and keep his job organization well employed in order to be successful at this rate. Percentages of profit will run from 8 to 15% and sometimes higher. For ordinary estimating purposes, 10% may be assumed as a fair profit for the builder of reinforced concrete buildings, unless the job costs will run under $50,000 total cost, in which case 12% profit should be added to the estimate.

3. Estimating Unit Prices.—The two principal elements which constitute unit prices in general are labor and material. In order to arrive at a correct unit price for a certain building operation it is necessary to know very closely how much labor is involved to perform a unit of this work and also how much material will be required. The items of labor and material must be estimated separately and then combined, comprising as a whole, the unit price to be used in the estimate. Every step involved should be carefully analyzed and correct values calculated for the labor and material in each step. Unit prices which have been intelligently prepared in this manner will usually represent to a close degree the cost of the finished work.

The unit prices given in this chapter are based on the labor rates and material costs prevailing in New England at the time this paper was prepared (August, 1919). As unit costs vary greatly in different localities and with the changing markets of labor and material, the unit prices shown here should be viewed with caution for estimating purposes. The volume of material and labor being priced has an important bearing on the unit price, and it should be borne in mind that a correct unit price for estimating purposes should be built up from the circumstances and conditions peculiar to the job being estimated and it cannot be obtained in any other manner.

At the time this book goes to press, common laborers receive an average wage of 50c. per hr. Carpenters masons, and other skilled building labor receive 90c. per hr.

3a. Concrete.—The unit prices for the concrete in the foundations is made up by first ascertaining the amount of material and labor necessary to make one cubic yard of con-

crete mixed in the proportion of 1–3–6. Experience has shown that to estimate the quantity of cement, sand, and crushed stone from tables set forth in text books would result in a shortage of materials, as allowance for a certain amount of waste must be made. It will be noted that in working out the amounts of material in the following calculation, proper allowance has been made for this waste.

Concrete—per cubic yard (1–3–6 mix)	
Cement 1 1/10 bbl. at 2.77	$ 3.05
Sand ½ cu. yd. at 1.95	0.98
Cr. stone 1 3/10 tons at 2.75	3.58
Plant	2.10
Labor, mixing, and placing	1.75
Total cost per cu. yd.	$11.46
	(Use $11.50 for unit price.)

The price of cement is obtained from the cement dealers ($2.84 per bbl. f. o. b. cars job). In this price is an allowance for 4 cement bags which if returned to the dealer in good condition would be credited at 10c. each or 40c. per bbl. A cash discount of 5c. per bbl. is also allowed if payments are promptly made. Taking advantage of both these credits (45c.) the net cost of the cement becomes $2.39 per bbl. Unloading and storing the cement in a cement shed costs usually 25c. per bbl. Tests must be made by a Cement Testing Bureau to ascertain the quality of the cement, for which an average charge of 3c. per bbl. is made. The loss of credits due to injury to bags in transit, and to the cost of freight on returned bags amounts to about 10c. per bbl. of cement purchased. Allowance being made for the above charges, the price of cement becomes $2.77 per bbl. and it is this figure which is used in working out the cost of concrete. The following calculation shows how this price is determined.

Cement—Dealer's quotation, f.o.b. cars job		$2.84
Credit for bags	0.40	
Cash discount	0.05	0.45
		$2.39
Unloading and storing cement		0.25
Testing cement		0.03
Loss and freight on empty bags		0.10
Total cost per bbl.		$2.77
Sand—Dealer's quotation, f.o.b. cars job		$1.75
Unload and handle into bins		0.20
Total cost per cu. yd.		$1.95
Crushed stone, f.o.b. cars job		$2.50
Unload and handle into bins		0.25
Total cost per ton		$2.75

As a certain amount of machinery, chutes, runways, towers, etc., are required in the process of placing concrete, an allowance must be made in the unit price for the labor of erecting and dismantling this "plant work" as it is commonly called, and also allowance must be made for plant material purchased or rented for the duration of the job. This item varies with the size and type of the job and it may run as low as $1 per cu. yd. and in especially difficult jobs would cost $3 or more per cu. yd. of concrete placed. A plant cost of $2.10 per cu. yd. has been included in the unit price of the concrete estimated herein, and the subdivisions of this cost are listed on. p. 1060.:

The average labor cost of mixing and placing concrete in a reinforced concrete building with common labor at 50c. per hr. is about $1.75 per cu. yd. when modern plant equipment is used on the job. A saving of 25c. on the labor cost and 25c. on the plant cost per cu. yd. is usually made in placing paving concrete, making the unit for this class of work, 50c. less than for other concrete work of a similar mix.

Plant cost per cubic yard of concrete:

	Labor	Material or rental charge
Towers	0.20	0.20
Temporary bldgs.	0.12	0.15
Bins for aggregate	0.10	0.20
Mixer and motor	0.06	0.14
Canvas and chutes	0.05	0.35
Runways, staging and small tools	0.14	0.24
Fuel, power and water		0.15
Labor	0.67	Material and rentals 1.43
Total per cu. yd.		$2.10

The unit price of concrete mixed in the proportions of 1–2–4 and 1–1½–3 is made up in a similar way. No change is made in the quantity of sand, crushed stone, labor, and plant. The cement quantity alone is changed. The computation for 1–2–4 and 1–1½–3 concrete follows:

Concrete—per cubic yard (1–2–4 mix)	
Cement 1⅜ bbl. at 2.77	$ 4.62
Sand, ½ cu. yd. at 1.95	0.98
1⅗ tons of crushed stone at 2.75	3.58
Plant	2.10
Labor, mixing, and placing	1.75
Total cost per cu. yd.	$13.03
(Use $13 for the unit price.)	

Concrete—per cubic yard (1–1½–3 mix).	
Cement, 2 bbl. at 2.77	$ 5.54
Sand ½ cy. at 1.95	0.98
Cr. stone 1⅗ tons at 2.75	3.58
Plant	2.10
Labor, mixing, and placing	1.75
Total cost per cu. yd.	$13.95
(Use $14 for unit price.)	

The unit price of concrete window sills of about standard size usually runs around 72c. per lineal foot including concrete, forms, reinforcement, and finish. The price of 72c. per lin. ft. is made up as follows:

Concrete at 50c. per cu. ft.	$0.27½
Formwork at 25c. per sq. ft.	0.25
Reinforcement at 0.05c. per lb.	0.07½
Carborundum rubbing (outside)	0.12
Total cost per lin. ft.	$0.72

The cost of constructing reinforced concrete stairs using rates of labor and materials as previously noted, is about $1.50 per lin. ft. of nosing. Landings will cost about 75c. per sq. ft. These unit prices include all concrete, forms, reinforcement and cement finish necessary to complete the stairway. No safety treads or hand rails are included.

Granolithic finish 1 in. thick laid after the slab concrete has set will cost about 11c. per sq. ft. for material and labor. The unit price is made up as follows:

1-in. granolithic finish laid after—per 1000 sq. ft.	
Cement, 12½ bbl. at 2.77	$ 34.63
Pea stone, 4 tons at 3.00	$ 12.00
Labor to pick and clean floor preparatory to laying finish, mix and lay grano. finish including plant costs and protect while drying	65.00
Total cost per 1000 sq. ft.	$111.63
(Use 11c. per sq. ft. for unit price.)	

NOTE: No sand required in granolithic finish.

If the granolithic finish is laid before the concrete in the slab has become thoroughly dried-out, the finish is called an integral finish. In estimating a finish of this kind, since the thick

ness of the granolithic finish is included in the slab concrete quantities, the unit price should contain only the labor cost of the cement finishers' time and the cost of the extra cement used in the top part of the slab which forms the finish, and the increased cost of using pea stone instead of ordinary crushed stone. The unit price for integral granolithic finish is made up as follows:

1-in. granolithic finish—laid integral—per 1000 sq. ft.	
Extra cement, 10 bbl. at 2.77	$27.70
Labor, finisher's time	30.00
Extra cost of pea stone, 4 tons at 25c	1.00
Total cost per 1000 sq. ft.	$58.70

(Use 6c. per sq. ft. for unit price.)

The unit of cinder concrete crickets placed on the roof to form proper slope to downspouts has been worked out in detail as follows:

Cinder concrete—per cubic yard.	
Cement, 1 bbl. at 2.77	$2.77
Cinders, 1 cu. yd.	1.50
Plant costs	2.50
Labor—mix and place to slope	2.25
Total cost per cu. yd.	$9.02

(Use $9 for unit price.)

The cost of finishing concrete surfaces with carborundum stone and cement varies greatly with different contractors. A good finish may be obtained by going over the surface of the concrete twice at a total cost of about 7½c. per sq. ft. of surface treated. The unit price is made up as follows:

Carborundum rubbing—2 coats—per 1000 sq. ft.	
Labor, 1st rub	40.00
Labor, 2d rub	30.00
Cement used ½ bbl. at 2.77	1.38
Total cost per 1000 sq. ft.	71.38

(Use 7½c. per sq. ft. for unit price.)

3b. Forms.—In working out a unit price for formwork it is very important to know how many times the forms can be used without remaking. If it is possible to use the forms twice, one-half the cost of the lumber should be charged against the unit for each use. If the forms are used three times a lumber charge of one-third the cost of the lumber is included in the unit price and so on. The cost of erection and stripping the formwork remains uniform for each use but some saving is made on making when the forms are used more than once. In forming one square foot of concrete surface, about 3 board feet of lumber are used in building the formwork. Hence, if the forms are used but once the material charge in the unit price will be the cost of 3 board feet of lumber. If the formwork is used twice it will be necessary to make a material charge of only 1½ board feet of lumber and so on. Some salvage of the lumber is usually made at the completion of the job; however, where the formwork is very complicated, the lumber is practically ruined and no salvage is realized. Ordinarily a saving of about 15 % of the cost of the lumber is realized at the close of the job. A certain amount of machinery is required with which the formwork is constructed on the job, consisting principally of a saw mill and motor, small tools, nails, etc. This is the "plant cost" and seldom amounts to more than 1c. per sq. ft. of concrete surface formed. The labor involved in making, erecting, and stripping the formwork varies with the complexity of the work but seldom costs less than 7c. or more than 15c. per sq. ft. of concrete surface formed. The cost of the labor of forming a concrete cornice or other similar work will cost much more than this maximum.

The unit costs for formwork given below have been worked out with lumber at $60 per M, f.o.b. cars at the job. Adding to this $2.50 per M to cover the cost of unloading and handl-

ing the lumber at the job, the price becomes $62.50 per M. The building will probably require a set of forms for one complete story, and with a small amount of remaking these forms may be used for forming the second or top story. This having been decided upon, it follows that the unit price should contain a material charge equal to the cost of 1½ board feet of lumber. This material charge is maintained throughout the unit prices for formwork so long as two uses are reckoned on.

The common labor is figured at 50c. and carpenters' work at 90c. per hr.

Footing Forms:

Lumber 1½ board feet at $62.50 per M	$0.0938	
Deduct salvage	0.0150	0.0788
Plant cost		0.0100
Labor, make, erect, and strip		0.0800
Total cost per sq. ft.		$0.1688

(Use 17c. for unit price)

Foundation Wall Forms:

The unit price for foundation wall forms may be figured similar to footing forms with the exception that the labor will cost about 9c. instead of 8c. per sq. ft. This change adds 1c. per sq. ft. to the unit price, making the unit price for foundation wall forms 18c. per sq. ft.

Exterior Column Forms:

Lumber 1½ board feet at $62.50 per M	$0.0938	
Deduct salvage	0.0150	0.0788
Plant costs		0.0100
Labor, make, erect, and strip		0.1175
Total cost per sq. ft.		$0.2063

(Use 20½c. for unit price.)

Bracket Forms:

Lumber, 1½ board feet at $62.50 per M (no salvage allowed)	$0.0938
Plant	0.0100
Labor, make, erect, and strip	0.2350
Total cost per sq. ft.	$0.3388

(Use 33½c. for unit price.)

Interior Column Forms—(round steel):

Rental of steel column forms each	$15.00
Labor, erect, strip, and handle	5.00
Total unit cost each	$20.00

Flat Slab Floor and Roo, Forms:

Lumber, 1½ board feet at $62.50 per M	$0.0938	
Deduct salvage	0.0150	0.0788
Plant		0.0100
Labor, make, erect, and strip		0.0775
Total cost per sq. ft.		$0.1663

(Use 16½c. for unit price.)

Drop Panel Forms:

Lumber, 1½ board feet at $62.50 per M (no salvage allowed)	$0.0938
Plant	0.0100
Labor, make, erect, and strip	0.1075
Total cost per sq. ft.	$0.2113

(Use 21c. for unit price.)

Wall Beam Forms:

Lumber, 1½ board feet at $62.50 per M	$0.0938	
Deduct salvage	0.0150	0.0788
Plant		0.0100
Labor, make, erect, and strip		0.0975
Total cost per sq. ft.		$0.1863

(Use 18½c. for unit price.)

Floor Beam Forms:

The unit cost of floor beam forms works out quite closely to the cost of the wall beam forms, the only difference being an increase of about ½c. per sq. ft. in the labor charge. This increase makes it necessary to use 19c. as a unit price for floor beam forms. Should the floor be what is known as a beam and slab type of floor, the average labor cost of making, erecting, and stripping the forms, measuring beams and slab together will be about 8½c. per sq. ft. This would make the cost of beam and slab floor forms about 17½c. per sq. ft. if the forms are used twice.

Partition Forms:		
Lumber, 1½ board feet at $62.50 per M	$0.0938	
Deduct salvage	0.0150	0.0788
Plant		0.0100
Labor, make, erect, and strip		0.1375
Total cost per sq. ft.		$0.2263

(Use 22½c. for unit price.)

3c. Reinforcement.—The labor of cutting, bending, and placing reinforcement will cost from $8 to $20 per ton depending upon the size of the bar, the amount of bending required, and the position in which the bars must be finally placed. In the average concrete building, it is safe to assume that a flat rate of $14 per ton will cut, bend, and place the reinforcement in the building. The unit price of 4¼c. per lb. is made up as follows:

Reinforcement f.o.b. cars job, per ton	$68.00
Unload and pile on job	3.00
Cut, bend, and place including wire, etc.	14.00
Total cost per ton	$85.00

(Use 4¼c. per lb. for unit price.)

3d. Conclusion.—The method of arriving at the unit costs of the principal parts of a reinforced concrete building have been briefly outlined in the previous paragraphs. With the aid of this information and by ascertaining the costs of material used in concrete construction, it is possible to make estimates of reinforced concrete buildings which should represent quite closely the final cost if the work is expeditiously performed. Space does not permit the compilation of the vast volume of matter necessary to cover the subject of unit prices thoroughly. Enough information has been given, however, to enable the structural engineer to estimate for himself the probable cost of the structure he has designed and the builder not familar with reinforced concrete construction may be able to make some use of the subject matter on these pages.

SECTION 3

ARCHITECTURAL PRACTICE

By Arthur Peabody

1. Architects' Rates for Service.—The architects' commissions will be computed on the percentages recommended by the American Institute of Architects. These will vary with the nature of the work, whether large or small, and whether the amount of service is to be partial or complete. Rates for remodelling and for monumental or decorative work will be different from the regular rate. The recommended rates for ordinary examples of the above are here given. ("Reprinted from the Standard Documents by permission of the American Institute of Architects.")

1. The Architect's professional services consist of the necessary conferences, the preparation of preliminary studies, working drawings, specifications, large scale and full size detail drawings; the drafting of forms of proposals and contracts; the issuance of certificates of payment; the keeping of accounts, the general administration of the business and supervision of the work, for which, except as hereinafter mentioned, the minimum charge, based upon the total cost of the work complete, is 6%.

2. On residential work, alterations to existing buildings, monuments, furniture, decorative and cabinet work and landscape architecture, it is proper to make a higher charge than above indicated.

3. The Architect is entitled to compensation for articles purchased under his direction, even though not designed by him.

4. Where the Architect is not otherwise retained, consultation fees for professional advice are to be paid in proportion to the importance of the question involved and services rendered.

5. The Architect is to be reimbursed the costs of transportation and living incurred by him and his assistants while traveling in discharge of duties connected with the work, and the costs of the services of heating, ventilating, mechanical, and electrical engineers.

6. The rate of percentage arising from Art. 1 and 2 hereof, *i.e.*, the basic rate, applies when all of the work is let under one contract. Should the Owner determine to have certain portions of the work executed under separate contracts, as the Architect's burden of service, expense and responsibility is thereby increased, the rate in connection with such portions of the work is greater (usually by 4%) than the basic rate. Should the owner determine to have substantially the entire work executed under separate contracts, then such higher rate applies to the entire work. In any event, however, the basic rate, without increase, applies to contracts for any portions of the work on which the Owner reimburses the engineer's fees to the Architect.

7. If, after a definite scheme has been approved, the Owner makes a decision which, for its proper execution, involves extra services and expense for changes in or additions to the drawings, specifications or other documents; or if a contract be let by cost of labor and materials plus a percentage or fixed sum; or if the Architect be put to labor or expense by delays caused by the Owner or a contractor, or by the delinquency or insolvency of either, or as a result of damage by fire, he is to be equitably paid for such extra service and expense.

8. Should the execution of any work designed or specified by the Architect or any part of such work be abandoned or suspended, the Architect is to be paid in accordance with or in proportion to the terms of Art. 9 of this Schedule for the service rendered on account of it, up to the time of such abandonment or suspension.

9. Whether the work be executed or whether its execution be suspended or abandoned in part or whole, payments to the Architect on his fee are subject to the provisions of Art. 7 and 8, made as follows:

Upon completion of the preliminary studies, a sum equal to 20% of the basic rate computed upon a reasonable estimated cost.

Upon completion of specifications and general working drawings (exclusive of details) a sum sufficient to increase payments on the fee to 60% of the rate or rates of commission agreed upon, as influenced by Art. 6, computed upon a reasonable cost estimated on such completed specifications and drawings, or if bids have been received, then computed upon the lowest bona fide bid or bids.

From time to time during the execution of work and in proportion to the amount of service rendered by the Architect, payments are made until the aggregate of all payments made on account of the fee under this Article reaches a sum equal to the rate or rates of commission agreed upon as influenced by Art. 6, computed upon the final cost of the work.

Payments to the Architect, other than those on his fee, fall due from time to time as his work is done or as costs are incurred.

No deduction is made from the Architect's fee on account of penalty, liquidated damages or other sums withheld from payments to contractors.

10. The Owner is to furnish the Architect with a complete and accurate survey of the building site, giving the grades and lines of streets, pavements and adjoining properties; the rights, restrictions, easements, boundaries and contours of the building site, and full information as to sewer, water, gas and electrical service. The Owner is to pay for borings or test pits and for chemical, mechanical or other tests, when required.

11. The Architect endeavors to guard the Owner against defects and deficiencies in the work of contractors, but does not guarantee the performance of their contracts. The supervision of an architect is to be distinguished from the continuous personal superintendence to be obtained by the employment of a clerk of the works.

When authorized by the Owner, a clerk of the works, acceptable to both Owner and Architect, is to be engaged by the Architect at a salary satisfactory to the Owner and paid by the Owner, upon presentation of the Architect's monthly certificates.

12. When requested to do so, the Architect makes or procures preliminary estimates on the cost of the work and he endeavors to keep the actual cost of the work as low as may be consistent with the purpose of the building and with proper workmanship and material, but no such estimate can be regarded as other than an approximation.

13. Drawings and specifications, as instruments of service, are the property of the Architect, whether the work for which they are made be executed or not.

Note.—The words "the cost of the work," as used in Art. 1 and 9 hereof, are ordinarily to be interpreted as meaning the total of the contract sums incurred for the execution of the work, not including Architect's and Engineer's fees or the salary of the clerk of the works, but in certain rare cases, *e. g.*, when labor or material is furnished by the Owner below its market cost or when old materials are re-used, the cost of the work is to be interpreted as the cost of all materials and labor necessary to complete the work, as such cost would have been if all materials had been new and if all labor had been fully paid at market prices current when the work was ordered, plus contractor's profits and expenses.

2. Employment of Architects.—An architect may be employed in various ways, as on a commission basis or on a salary. He may furnish plans and specifications only, or be employed also to superintend the work. In some states the lien law protects the architect; in others it does not. The architect should ascertain exactly what person, corporation, or authority has the power to employ him and, in every case, obtain a written contract for services. The contract should describe accurately what the architect is to do, and what compensation shall be paid. The enumeration of his duties in minute detail will not be necessary but no uncertainty should exist as to the limit of his employment, whether it be for preliminary sketches, for the general design, for working drawings, specifications and details, of for superintendence. Provision should be made for a proper settlement in the case of failure of the enterprise to start, or to proceed to completion, and for his release if necessary before the completion of the work. The terms of payment must be stated. The contract must be such as will stand in law. Verbal contracts unsupported by witnesses are of no force. The following will be sufficient for small work. For important undertakings the Standard Contract of the A. I. A. should be used.

Short Contract for Architectural Service

.....19..

(Place and date)

Article I. This contract certifies that....., Architects, hereby agree to furnish the design, working drawings and specifications, and to superintend the construction of .....for....., owner.

(Insert the Building or Work to be Done)

Article II. .....owner, hereby agrees to pay to the architects for the above work a sum of money equal to.....per cent. of the entire cost of the above building or work.

Article III. Payments shall become due to the architect as follows:

Upon completion of the design.....20% of the whole.
Upon completion of the working plans and specifications.....40% of the whole.
For the entire superintendence.....40% of the whole.

Article IV. The original design, and the plans and specifications shall remain in the custody of the architect, but neither he nor the owner shall use them or copies of them except for the construction of this building or work.

Article V. The architect and the owner for themselves, their heirs, successors, executors, administrators and assigns, hereby agree to the covenants herein contained. In witness whereof they have set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

.....
Signature of Architects

.....
Signature of Owner

3. Contracts for Building.—For large enterprises, involving employment by public bodies such as a Board of Trustees, or a building commission, the standard documents of the American Institute of Architects are advisable. These documents cover the conduct of competitions, the employment of architects, building contracts and other matters in connection. The Standard Form of Contract for building will require minor modifications for use in public work, to comply with various state laws. The Engineering Department of the State of Wisconsin makes use of a modified form of the standard contract and bond for important work. Some states require a contract and bond for small work as well. A short form of contract and bond has been adopted

in Wisconsin for all contracts for labor and material in sums of $100 or more. The contract and bond occupy one side of a letter sheet.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHORT CONTRACT AND BOND

This form to be used for items coming under Chapter 388, Laws of 1917.

.....
(Here insert name of institution)

.....
(Date)

Requisition No. .....

Division .....

Class and Fund .....

Article 1. .....
(Here insert name of contractor)
..... of .....
the first party, hereby agrees to furnish a satisfactory bond and to .....
.....
.....
.....
.....
The first party hereby agrees to complete the same on or before
.....

Article 2. The .....
(Here insert legal title of board)
the second party hereby agrees to pay the first party for the performance of this contract the sum of ..... dollars within ..... days after the completion of the contract. Partial payments will be made up to 85% of estimated values, previous to such completion.

Article 3. No laborer, workman or mechanic of the contractor, subcontractor, agent or other person shall, in the performance of this contract, work or be permitted or directed to work more than eight hours in any one calendar day, except in cases of extraordinary emergencies, as provided in section 1729*m*, of the statutes.

The first party hereby agrees to maintain liability insurance sufficient to protect the second party and State against all claims for damage or injury to persons employed upon this work and shall save the second party harmless against all claims for royalties on or infringements of patents on materials of appliances used.

The specifications, plans or diagrams furnished herewith shall constitute part of this agreement the same as if hereto attached.

Article 4. The parties for themselves, their heirs, successors, executors, administrators, and assigns, hereby agree to the covenants herein contained. In witness whereof they have set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

.....
(Signature of first party)

.....
(Signature of second party)

BOND

We .....
(Name of first party, principal)
and we, ...
(Name of surety)
are hereby held and firmly bound unto the second party to the accompanying contract in the sum of ..... dollars
(Contract amount)
for the payment whereof the first party, principal and the surety bind themselves, their heirs, successors, administrators and assigns jointly and severally by these presents.

The condition of this obligation is that if the first party shall faithfully perform the said contract and satisfy all claims and demands incurred for the same and shall protect the second party and the State of Wisconsin against all liability, injury, or damage caused by the act or omission of the said first party, his agents or employees, then this obligation shall be null and void. Provided that alterations made in the terms of the contract, or any forbearance on the part of the first or second party thereto shall not release the principal or the surety from their liability hereunder, notice to the surety of any such alteration or forbearance being hereby waived.

Signed and sealed this ..... day of ..... 19 .....

.....
(Signature of first party, principal)

.....
(Signature of surety)

This certifies that I have been duly licensed as agent for the above company in Wisconsin under license No. ..... for the year 19 . . ., and appointed as attorney in fact with authority to execute contract bonds with a minimum of $100 and a maximum of $ ..... which power of attorney has not been revoked.

.....
(Agent)

The foregoing contract and bond to the amount of $ ..... are hereby *approved*, the same day and year as first above written.

.....
(State Chief Engineer)

.....
(Governor of Wisconsin)

4. Schedule of Building Costs.—In the usual case, the architect is engaged to design a building to meet a certain expenditure. This amount should be looked upon as the total of funds available. To bring the matter clearly before the owner a schedule of estimated costs is usually made. This will cover

Architect's commission	$———
Expense for travel, etc	$———
Cost of survey and other engineering work	$———
The principal contract	$———
Subordinate contracts	$———
Estimated amount for extras	$———
Cost of connection to supplies for gas, water, sewer, electric current, heat and power	$———
Costs incidental to construction such as temporary heat, power and light	$———
Fire insurance	$———
Fire protection, safety provisions	$———
Contingent balance	$———

By this the architect and owner will be able to know what is meant by the entire cost. Where the funds cannot be exceeded under any circumstances, the schedule is imperative, in order to proceed with safety. In some cases there must be added amounts for land improvement, including clearing, grading, draining, planting, drives, walks and enclosures, together with main sewers and water lines, railway sidings, walls, tunnels, conduits and electric pole lines.

5. Financing of a Building Project.—The extent to which an architect maps out a building project will depend on conditions. The complete program will begin at the conception of the enterprise and end with the occupation or disposal of the completed work. Where the client has no other adviser, the architect may be consulted upon the probability of its financial success, the amount of funds obtainable by first and second mortgages, stock, bonds and other resources.

A loan of about 50 % of the value of the land and completed building may be obtained usually for building purposes. This is secured by the first mortgage. Deferred payments on the land are covered by a second mortgage. The second mortgage will be held by the original owner of the land, and will become due before the first. Real estate companies sometimes accept such for a certain portion of the land value. A more complicated condition is where the second mortgage is used as security for the preferred stock of a project, while the title or ownership is represented by the common stock. Beside this there may be an issue of bonds of one or more kinds.

The burden of financing a project may include cost of promotion, brokerage commissions, discounts on bonds and preferred stock, etc. The following table indicates what might be a fair approximation to the several items, taking the completed work at 100 %. The financial statement will cover

Cost of land, including all charges necessary to securing the title, estimated	25 %
Cost of building including also fees to architects, engineers, permits, etc., and other incidentals, estimated	55 %
Discounts on bonds, estimated	3 %
Discounts on preferred stock, estimated	6 %
Interest on bonds during construction period, estimated	3 %
Dividends on preferred stock during construction period, estimated	3 %
Taxes and insurance during construction period, estimated	½ %
Fees and incidentals, estimated	½ %
Cost of promotion, estimated	4 %
	100 %

The several items would vary somewhat with conditions. A prospective increase in land value may be anticipated, but this would not affect the computation of actual cost. It may have an effect on the per cent. of loan obtainable by the first mortgage, and might make a readier sale of preferred stock which is sometimes hard to place. The common stock is sometimes used as part payment of the architect, contractor and others interested. The control of the business is held by the common stock, which participates also in the earnings from operation or in profits from sale. In some examples the cost of operation will amount to 40 % of the gross income, leaving 60 % to meet fixed charges such as interest, sinking fund, etc., and to be paid on the common stock.

SECTION 4

CONTRACTS

By Daniel J. Hauer

Most building construction is done under a contract between the owner and a contractor who is commonly called a builder. The builder has but little dealing with the owner as the architect of the structure acts for the owner, supervising the construction and being in full charge of the builder's work.

1. Contracting Versus Day Labor.—When construction is carried on by day labor, the owner, possibly through his architect, employs a superintendent of construction, engages mechanics, artisans, and laborers through him; purchases tools, machinery, and materials; and with his own forces paid by daily wages, builds the structure, thus eliminating the contractor. This would seem to be the ideal method, as all chance of disputes with the contractor over contractual rights, specifications, changes in plans, and quantities of work, is prevented. The owner, through the architect, is at all times supreme and one would think that the profit the contractor makes is saved to the owner.

The reverse of this generally happens. Expensive machines and many tools may have to be purchased, and when these are sold at the completion of the work, the loss sustained may more than equal the contractor's profit, as the latter charges only a reasonable rental or plant expense, the machines and tools having a value to him for future jobs. In addition to this, mechanics, laborers, and others, including the superintendent, who do not have any money interest in the job, will do indifferent work; the job will drag; and the cost will be greatly increased over the work done by the same men when employed by a contractor. This individual's living and profits must be made by saving materials and obtaining efficient work from his employees. His money is at stake as well as the owner's; therefore, the greater the saving effected by the contractor, the larger is his profit.

Thus, building construction performed by a contractor has proven to be cheaper (save in exceptional cases) than that done by the day-labor method. Then too, contractors do a better grade of work than that accomplished by day labor forces. The architect and his assistants pass upon the equality of the materials and see to it that the contractor follows the specifications, condemning all poor work and compelling such construction to be done over. With day labor forces, the specifications are ignored and poor work is covered up and skimmed over to prevent the owner from finding fault.

The day-labor method thus leads to extravagance, prolongation of the work in order to hold positions, poor workmanship, and an indifferent quality of construction. The contract method means quickly finished jobs as it is to the contractor's interest to rush his work; the specifications are followed resulting in first-class work; and money is saved to the owner.

2. Public and Private Contracts.—Contracts made with a national government, a province state, county, city, town, or village are known as *public contracts*. Bonds are demanded on such contracts and the contractor and his bondsmen are compelled to complete a job no matter what pecuniary loss they may sustain. No one under the law has the right to change the contract clauses or the specifications, which must be lived up to by the contractor. The worst possible features of the work may be forced upon him at any time. For these reasons, work done under public contracts can seldom be performed as cheaply as that under a private contract.

Private contracts are those made with corporations (other than public ones), firms, and individuals. Bond may have to be given for such contracts, but the owner can only recover by suing the contractor and his bondsman. The architect can change the contract and specifications by agreement with the contractor, as nothing is as binding as on public contracts. This makes it possible to estimate closer on such construction and yet do as good work.

Some contractors confine their operations to public contracts while others take work only under private contracts. A third class does both kinds of construction.

3. Forms of Contracts.—There are many forms of contracts used for building construction. Under most of these forms, it is first necessary for the builder to make a proposal to the owner through the architect. This proposal for some forms of contracts, especially on private work or for subcontracts, may take the form of a letter. When this kind of proposal is made, the offer must be made up with great care and worded so as not to be ambiguous; otherwise, the contractor may be offering to do more work than he has estimated and the other party, in accepting the proposal, may think the contractor is offering to do the work as planned, thus leading to disputes.

Under many forms of contracts and for nearly all public contracts, a proposal form is used, and to make the proposal formal, it must be made out on the official form and followed as actually outlined. To deviate from the form means to make the proposal informal. No one has the right to consider it unless it should be the only proposal entered, in which case an adjustment could be made. On public work, an architect has no right to consider an informal proposal because it is not a proposal based upon the contract and specifications. Should a contractor desire to submit an alternate proposal or have some change made in the plans to save the owner money, he should first submit a formal proposal and then make his alternate on a separate form or sheet of paper. Should his formal proposal be low or be the accepted proposal, then the contractor can have his alternate considered, or all proposals may be rejected and new ones made based upon the change suggested in the alternate. Every contractor should be careful to see that his proposals are formal before they are submitted.

The various forms of contracts are known as follows: unit prices, lump sum, cost plus a percentage, cost plus a fixed fee, cost plus a scale of fees, and percentage contracts.

3*a*. Unit Price Contracts.—A unit price form of contract is based upon the naming of unit prices for each kind and class of work to be done upon a building. By this method the exact amount of each class of work need not be definitely known if only the different classes and kinds of work are known. With a price set for each unit, it is then possible to carry on the job, paying the contractor only for the work actually done.

The difficult feature of this method of carrying on a contract for a building, is the great variety of work that must be done and the difficulty of obtaining unit measurements for each item. Coupled with this, architects are loathe to take the time and trouble to measure up and keep a record of the various units. This form of contract is excellent for engineering construction, but is not so well adapted to architectural work. It is necessary for contractors to estimate most construction upon a unit basis even when other forms of contracts are used, but the general preference for contract forms has been that of *lump sum contracts*.

3*b*. Lump Sum Contracts.—Under a lump sum contract, a price is figured by the contractor who names a stated price or sum for a completed structure, according to the owner's plans and specifications. Thus the owner and his architect depend upon the price bid, and are not bothered with units or quantities so far as estimating costs are concerned.

It is necessary that plans and specifications should be complete before proposals are asked as any changes or alterations must be paid for as extras, or, new prices must be agreed upon for the work. The contract upon this basis demands accurate and thorough work by the architect, the variations permissible being alternates asked for in the proposals.

The lump sum form of contract has been the most common one used for some decades in erecting buildings. A variation of it has been to name unit prices for some classes of work for additions and deductions. Thus, for concrete foundations, the plans may call for the footings to be 20 ft. below the street level. The proposals made may name one price per cubic yard for any concrete to take the foundations deeper, and a less price per cubic yard for any deduction in yardage if the foundation is carried to a less depth than 20 ft. This would likewise apply to the excavation. It is possible to apply this variation in form of contract to any class of work having simple units; hence, the form of contract becomes a combination of the lump sum and unit prices.

With a unit price form of contract, the builder is not bothered by uncertain quantities of work to be done, as his work is measured up and paid for; but with a lump sum contract, he must know accurately how much work is to be done. If plans and specifications are inaccurate and indefinite, then the builder must protect himself by naming in the price he bids, an ample amount to cover extra work he may be called upon to do, or to cover possible changes for which he may not be allowed extras. Thus the owner may have to pay more than he should for his structure or if the builder does not estimate enough for such inaccuracies or discrepancies, then he is the loser.

3*c*. Cost Plus Percentage Contracts.—Due to the facts just outlined, the cost plus percentage form of contract has grown in favor during the past decade. Under it, the owner pays the cost of the work; that is, all materials, supplies, and labor. Upon this cost he pays the contractor or builder an agreed upon percentage. Tools and machines are rented to the owner and figured in this cost of the structure. The percentage paid is supposed to

cover the builder's own services, the knowledge and organization he brings to the job, and his profit.

Under this contract, every incentive is given the builder to do expensive work and run up the cost of the structure, for the larger the cost the greater will be the percentage paid him. Thus a building estimated to cost $100,000 will net the builder more profit if he makes it cost $125,000. Many disagreements have occurred over contracts under this form due to the belief that contractors have increased their cost purposely.

3*d*. Cost Plus a Fixed Fee Contracts.—To overcome this belief and also certain objections outlined under unit prices and lump sum forms of contracts, cost plus a fixed fee type of agreement has grown in favor both with architects and contractors. Under it the owner pays all costs as in the last named form, but, instead of paying a percentage, he pays the builder a fixed fee previously agreed upon. To arrive at this sum, a general estimate of the cost is made and with this as a basis, a flat fee is agreed upon.

No matter whether the actual cost is less or greater than the estimated cost, the contractor's fee remains unchanged. Under this form of contract, the architect may not even have started his plans when the builder begins his excavation. Thus plans can be made as the work progresses and unlimited changes can be made in either the plans or specifications. The owner can purchase the materials or have the builder do so.

Many of the objections to other forms of contracts disappear under this one. The builder's reputation and his desire to obtain other work from the owner, should cause him to do economical work, unless he is working at the same time on jobs based upon the unit or lump sum form of contract. Then it is but natural for the builder to use his best men and machines upon the contract where he can save money and add to his profit, and his poorest upon the contract where his fee is fixed.

3*e*. Cost Plus a Scale of Fees Contracts.—There are two variations of the cost plus a scale of fees form of contract. The prevalent form is to arrange a schedule showing probable costs, and setting a scale of percentages or fixed fees to be paid upon the scale or schedule of costs. This was the form of contract used almost exclusively by the War Department of the national government for the extensive program of construction carried on during the World's War.

A second variation of the cost plus a scale of fees form of contract is that for which a fixed fee is set for an estimated amount of work, and then a rising scale agreed upon for each $1000, $10,000, or $100,000 saved over this estimated cost, and declining scale for each $1000, $10,000, or $100,000 expended over the estimated cost, naming, however, a minimum fee that is assured to the contractor.

With this form of contract the builder is penalized for running up costs, whether he is at fault or not, while he earns a premium by saving the owner money over that of his architect's estimate. The greatest difficulty is in arriving at an estimated cost of the work. This can be done by the owner's architect and the contractor agreeing upon an estimated cost. If these two cannot agree, they refer it to an arbitrator or board of arbitrators. If changes are made or extra work added, new estimates are agreed upon under supplemental contracts or by duplicating the original agreement.

3*f*. Percentage Contracts.—The percentage form of contract likewise has two variations. The first one, used by some municipalities, is to have the architect make up an estimate of the cost of the structure. Contractors then make proposals based upon this estimate by bidding a percentage, as one contractor may bid 97% of the cost, another 100%, and a third 102%, the award being made to the one biding the lowest percentage. This is also a variation of the lump sum form of contract as in the end the builder names a lump sum based upon the architect's estimate.

The second variation is that of a contractor bidding a percentage of the cost as a fee for which he is willing to build the structure. The estimated cost need not be known and plans may be changed; for the percentage is paid on the final cost. Here the contract is awarded to the builder naming the smallest percentage. This form of contract varies from the cost plus a percentage form only in the method in arriving at the percentage. In one, the owner and builder agree upon the percentage, while in the last form, the builder bids and names his percentage in his proposal, the owner accepting the lowest percentage bid.

4. General Contractor.—The builder awarded the contract for the complete structure is known as the general contractor. He is the one to whom the owner looks for results. It is customary on all public work and also on many private jobs, for the general contractor to give bond for the faithful performance of the contract, and to hold the owner free from patent suits, as well as to furnish guarantee bonds for one year or more for such work as is customary to guarantee.

The general contractor may do the greater part of the construction with his own forces, as a rule doing the carpenter work, and possibly the brick work, but in most cases the various classes of construction are sublet to subcontractors who are specialists in their respective lines.

5. Subcontractors.—The general parts of buildings sublet are: foundations, brick work, steel construction, metal work, such as cornices, skylights, etc., plastering, painting, plumbing, and heating, electrical work, elevators, marble work, stone masonry, tiling, roofing, and other special kinds of construction. Mill work and materials are always sublet unless the general contractor happens to be a dealer or manufacturer of such materials.

Thus on a large building there may be the general contractor and from ten to twenty subcontractors. The owner knows the subcontractor only through the general contractor, and dealing with the subcontractor by the owner and his architect, comes through the general contractor. The general contractor is paid by the owner and he in turn pays his subs. The general contractor at his option demands a bond of the subcontractor and such guarantee as he must make to the owner.

Contract agreements generally stipulate that subcontracts can be made only with the approval of the architect. The form of contract used between the general contractor and the subcontractors will depend upon the form used between the owner and the general contractor. In most cases, it is a duplication of the form, as with a lump sum contract, the same form is used with the subcontractor. A percentage contract is duplicated in the same manner, but in such cases, the general contractor's percentage may be reduced upon the work done by the sub. At times, even with a percentage or fixed fee contract, the owner elects to have the subcontractor do his work for a lump sum including in it his profit. He then treats such sum as the cost to the general contractor and pays him his fee or percentage upon it.

It is customary, except where the owner furnishes all materials, for each subcontractor to furnish the materials he uses; thus his prices cover both materials and labor as do those of the general contractor.

6. Departments in Contracting.—Some general contractors instead of subletting various lines of work, do most of these themselves by purchasing materials and employing men experienced in the various lines. Thus under competent heads, departments are organized and most of the subcontractors are eliminated.

By departments of this character, contractors are doing foundation work, concrete construction, plumbing' heating, brick work, and many other classes of construction.

One advantage of these departments is to assist in building up a strong contracting organization and to be able to take subcontracts thus keeping all departments busy whether the general contractor needs every department on his own work or not.

7. Quantities of Work.—In order to make up estimates of the cost of any building or structure, either by the architect or the builder, the quantities of the various kinds of work to be done must be taken off the plans. (It is possible to roughly estimate the cost of certain types of structures by applying a guess price to that area occupied, the cubical contents, or by other rules. Accurate costs must be figured from quantities.)

Such quantities are taken off the architect's plans and from items mentioned in the specifications. The job is a tedious one, and for any size structure, consumes much time. These lists are known as schedules. It would seem natural that the architect should be the one to make up such schedules as he has had the drawings and plans made from his own design and has drawn up the specifications; consequently, he knows exactly what he has specified. In spite of this, the architect seldom makes up any such schedules; and furthermore, he shifts the responsibility of same upon the contractor. He goes even further and throws the blame for errors, omissions, and discrepancies upon the builder. Many quotations from building specifications could be given to show the position of architects in these matters.

It is in making up these schedules of quantities that the completeness and accuracy of the architect's drawings are tested. It is a surprising fact how few are complete or accurate, yet contractors are not in a position to protest, for if they do, the architect simply drops such contractors from his list, thus depriving them of the privilege of bidding. These things are not only an injustice to the contracting profession but likewise upon the architect's client, the owner, for he is sure to pay more for his work when there are uncertain features about it. There is great need of reform in connection with these conditions of contracting. Although some blame can be placed upon builders, the greater part of it lies at the door of the architect who is unwilling to assume any responsibility or additional expense as long as he works for fees.

8. Quantity Surveying.—The act of making schedules of quantities is known as quantity surveying. If this survey is made up accurately and furnished to both the owner and to contractors making proposals, there is little question but that the minds of the two parties to the contract will meet upon definite and accurate information, making a closer and more economical contract than when the contract is based upon insufficient data.

This fact has been recognized in England and parts of Europe from which source the making of quantity surveys has been brought to us. It is now possible in some of our largest cities to get this surveying done by a third party. Companies are offering their services to owners and contractors to make these surveys, guaranteeing the quantities according to the plans and specifications so that any material or work that is not in the schedules, is treated as extra work.

These schedules are not only used by the owner, his architect, and the general contractor, but also by the subcontractors. In many cases, they mean the saving of plans and the chance of obtaining more bids and greater competition, for subcontractors frequently cannot obtain plans if they are in distant cities or have not time to take off quantities, while from the schedules, estimates can be made and mailed to the bidders.

9. Extra Work.—All work called for by changes or not specified in the original drawings and specifications, is termed extra work. As this was not included in the original price, it must be paid for as an extra.

There are two methods of paying for such work. One is by agreeing to a price for each lot of work and the other is to do it by the percentage method; that is, cost plus a percentage, this last being the method in common use. Bills for such extra work must be rendered to the architect for his approval, after which they are paid by the owner. Disputes often occur over extra work because of the belief that many contractors swell the cost of the various items that go to make up the bills. For this reason, builders should give the owner every facility for checking up his bills, both as to materials and labor.

10. Construction Materials.—As a rule, construction materials are purchased by the contractors and are not paid for by the owner until they are put in place. Under some contracts, materials are paid for in part when delivered, and are finally paid for as a whole after being placed.

In some cases, the owner purchases the materials and the contractor stores, cares for, and places them. In both cases, whether purchased by the contractor or the owner, the contractor is held responsible for them.

If the owner purchases the materials, it is necessary for the contractor to charge a percentage of the cost to cover the storage, handling, insurance, responsibility of preventing them from being stolen, etc. If this is not done, the contractor is liable to sustain a loss upon that part of the work.

If the construction is being done under either the cost plus a percentage or scale of fees form of contract, the cost of the material, even when purchased by the owner, is used to calculate the fee or commission earned by the contractor, unless it be especially stipulated that the commission is figured only upon the labor costs. The general custom of the contractor purchasing the materials, is the one favored by builders and many contractors will not bid upon jobs for which the owners purchase the construction materials.

11. Plans and Specifications.—The plans and specifications are made up by the architect except when a contractor agrees to get up plans and specifications for the owner in addition to doing the construction, thus saving the fees of the architect. However, this is not a common practice except for small buildings, alterations, and work in the country on building barns and other farm structures.

For steel construction and concrete buildings, contracts generally specify that the contractor must furnish the detail working drawings, the owner furnishing only the general plan, loads, and such data, so that the contractor can have his details worked up. If this work is done by a subcontractor, the general contractor shifts the responsibility for these working drawings upon the sub.

Owners and architects are not liberal in furnishing plans to contractors for estimating. They have lists, except for public work, of contractors whom they invite to bid and will not give plans to anyone except those on their lists. It is also becoming a common practice to make contractors pay for copies of plans or to demand a deposit of from $10 to $100 for a set of plans. This money is returned to the contractors, other than the successful bidder, when a bid is made or upon the return of the plans.

12. Changes in Plans.—The right is always reserved in the specifications to allow the owner to make such changes in the plans and specifications as he may see fit. For public work, no public officer has the authority to change the specifications, but the plans may be changed. There is no injustice to the contractor if some minor change is made, but to make drastic changes

(except under the cost plus a percentage or fee form of contract) results in a hardship for the builder unless the proper allowance is made or the change is treated as extra work.

At times changes are made that entirely alter the character of the construction, so that a new contract should be made. To make changes and then attempt to throw the responsibility for them upon the builder, as well as the extra cost, is wrong.

In making plans for foundations, it is sometimes the custom to show a certain depth at which suitable foundations may be secured, and then to ask for unit prices to cover any additional depth to which the work must be carried, this being paid in addition to the lump sum price. A unit price is also asked for any deduction from the quantities shown on the plans should it be found advisable to go to a less depth. This is a fair method of covering certain kinds of changes in plans.

Even at the best, disputes are likely to occur over changes in plans. It is always advisable to give the making of all plans careful and mature consideration in order that the number of changes may be kept to the minimum.

13. Arbitration.—Disputes will often arise over construction contracts with resultant lawsuits. When such occur, highly technical subjects and the ethics of construction are carried before a jury and court that know little, if anything, of such matters; therefore, these things only become confused in their minds, and courts, instead of dispensing justice, dispense law. To overcome this, arbitration is being used in connection with suits over construction. Arbitration has no legal standing under our laws and before our courts though in European countries it has. Contractors, through their various organizations, should work to have a legal status given to arbitration.

The advantage of arbitration over the courts is that men trained in construction, listen to disputes, and knowing every phase of the subject, quickly see the injustice to one party and thus render a just decision. Time and expense are both saved in explaining technical subjects, as arbitrators chosen from the profession are familiar with such things.

It is possible for every construction contract to contain a paragraph setting forth that disputes must be settled by arbitration, stating the number of arbitrators and the method of selecting and paying them. Explicit rules can also be land down for hearings and investigations so that every dispute may be handled promptly and gone into thoroughly. Each party to the contract should bind himself to accept and stand by the decision of the arbitrators. This is not legally binding but it will in most cases bring satisfactory results.

14. Architect's Contracts.[1]—The architect for a building, except in cases where the architect is employed on a yearly salary, is employed by contract by the owner and is generally paid a commission upon the cost of the work, although at times a flat fee is agreed upon. Even if there is not a written agreement, an oral contract is generally made. Two services are covered in these contracts: (1) getting up the specifications and plans, and (2) supervising the construction.

For some public buildings, large bridges, and memorials, prize competitions are held to obtain the best designs from architects. The first prize carries with it the prize money, payment for the plans, and supervision of the construction. The other plans submitted may secure a prize but nothing else.

Architects are also asked at times to compete in making plans but inasmuch as this entails much work with little chance of compensation, few well established architects will enter such competitions. In most cases, architects must depend upon their recognized ability, their experience, and their acquaintances to obtain jobs.

Some architects have a standard form of contract to use with their clients. Others set forth by letter to their clients what services they will render and their rate of compensation, the client accepting the offer by letter. Either method is considered a legal agreement under which an architect can recover. An architect who looks after his own contract with his client in the proper manner is likely to make the proper kind of a contract with the builder in behalf of the owner and be fair to both parties.

[1] See also Sect. 3.

SECTION 5

SPECIFICATIONS

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The specifications covering any construction work are the most important of all things in connection with any job. They mean good or indifferent work, expensive or cheap construction, the wasting of money or economical construction, the placing of hardships upon either the owner or builder, and can prevent or lead up to lawsuits. Both thought and time should be given to their preparation.

1. Specifications Should be Definite.—The first consideration for any specifications is to have them written for the job at hand and not copy them from some other job. Many architects do copy their specifications either from those gotten up by others or from those used by themselves for other jobs. At times some great misfits occur by this haphazard practice. Specifications covering frame buildings have been used for brick structures only by adding articles on brick work.

It is not necessary that every detail be written for each job. Brick work and the general conditions governing it can be the same on every job; so it can be with concrete and wood work; in fact, most of the general lines can be standard simply adding the necessary things for each particular job. By this method, much work can be saved in getting up specifications. Under no circumstances should special clauses be inserted unless meant to cover the particular work to be done.

Then too, all specifications should be definite; ambiguous clauses should be eliminated. Expressions, such as "the owner will designate the style of fixtures," or "as the architect may direct," or "the number of panels will be designated by the owner or the architect" should be excluded. Decisions as to what is to be specified should be made before writing up specifications, and when this cannot be done, certain things should be provided for in a definite manner and also provide for an alternate. To be definite means to save money and secure the confidence of builders; it also prevents lawsuits. Specifications which are not clear add to costs and lead to lawsuits.

2. Forms of Specifications.—There are many forms of specifications; some are gotten up as a pamphlet or book; others are in the form of a legal brief; others consist of a set of blueprints fastened together at one end; while short specifications may be in the form of a letter. There is always a demand from some people for a standardization of any kind of document, going into shape, and size, and even the kind and size of type. This may be desirable, but there are many reasons why architects are not likely to adopt any standard. One is the cost, especially for small jobs and short specifications, and another is the loss of the architect's individuality in any standardization. A reputable and successful firm wishes to distinguish itself from others by the character of the work that comes from its office. Each architect should have a standard for himself but his need not conform to another's standard.[1]

The following general form can be followed or a standard can be devised from the memorandum here given:

The Cover.—The cover, both front and back, may have on it the name of the structure and also that of the architect. This may be simple or quite elaborate, giving individuality to the specifications and also serving as an advertisement for the architect.

Photographs.—The first page may have on it an elevation or from one to three elevations showing the completed structure. This is not a necessity but it adds to the appearance of the specifications and distinguishes them from others. These elevations may be reproductions from wash drawings or pen or pencil sketch, or white or blue print reduced in size from the architect's drawings, or a copy of the drawings in a reduced scale may also be used here.

[1] A standard form of contract and specificaton adopted by the American Institute of Architects can be obtained from them for a small price. Address, The Octagon, Washington, D. C.

Advertisement.—On the next page should appear the advertisement for the bids. If an official advertisement is published in any paper, a copy of it may appear on this page, but as on many private jobs such advertisements are not used, on this page may appear the conditions of biddings and a statement of the time and manner in which proposals will be received.

Copyright.—On the reverse side of this page, the date and ownership of the copyright of the specifications may appear should the architect wish to protect his work by copyright. Generally speaking, unless specifications are printed, only one side of the sheet should be used so as to keep the reading clear cut and also to prevent the confusion of figures and abbreviations as may happen when marks and signs show through the sheets.

Proposal.—Following the advertisement should come the proposal form. A note or page should set forth that bids will not be received, or will be considered informal, unless submitted upon the proposal form. If it is desired, the page or pages of the proposal may be on perforated sheets so that they can be detached and submitted separately. However, it is good practice to have the proposal sheets bound in the specifications so that they will be returned as part of the contract agreement and specifications and thereby help to make up the complete set of papers. Ample room should be provided to allow for signatures and seals of corporations as well as to give information as to those interested in the firm or corporation of contractors or builders.

Bond.—Following the proposal should come the form of bond for the faithful completion of the contract. This bond or additional ones may be made to cover guarantees, damage to surrounding property, fire and wind risks, suits for royalty or for infringement of patent rights, and other features for which bonds are given.

The cost of a construction bond is not based upon the amount of bond demanded, but upon the total cost of the work, so there is no reason to stipulate that bond for $10,000 or for half the amount of the contract shall be given. The proper method should be to state that bond to cover the amount of the job will be provided.

Contract.—The next thing should be the contract form or agreement. This should be as short as possible, and explicit and definite, setting forth the parties to the contract, their rights and what each agrees to do. A blank space should be provided to list the contract drawings and plans and likewise the general conditions of the proposal, bond, contract and specifications. Should these be numbered according to paragraphs or pages, reference should be made to the numbers included within the covers that are meant to govern the work. The listing of the drawings and specifications is essential in order to make them an integral part of the contract. At the end of the contract form, space must be provided for the signatures, seals, and witnesses of the parties to the contract.

General Conditions.—Immediately following the contract should be the general conditions of the contract governing the work.

Principals and Definitions.—The principals are shown by the agreement, but under this head can be given their legal rights and any definitions to make the contract clear.

Execution and Intent.—These paragraphs are self-explanatory.

Architect's and Engineer's Status.—The standing and responsibility of these parties should be set forth in detail.

Architect's and Engineer's Decisions.—Under this heading is given the finality of the decisions of these officials.

Contractor, Superintendent, Etc.—Here the standing of the contractor, his superintendent, and foremen, is set forth; also stating that some responsible parties will always be present to receive the orders and instructions of the architect.

Time Limits.—Tell when the work must be started, of the progress to be made, and the limit for completion.

Detail Drawings, Instructions.—This covers these subjects and tells who must pay for the detail drawings.

Survey.—Tells who is to make the survey and pay the cost, and who is responsible for the drawing up of the necessary certificate.

Materials.—The furnishing, storing, care and responsibility of all materials.

Labor Utilities.—List the utilities to be furnished for the laborers and state who is to pay the cost.

Permits.—Tell who must obtain and pay for all necessary permits, ordinances, etc.

Inspection.—Cover all inspection, and give the status of inspectors.

Protection of Work and Properties.—This is self-explanatory.

Damage or Injury to Persons.—This heading is likewise self-explanatory.

Insurance.—Set forth the carrying of compensation insurance for laborers, fire insurance, and any other risks that are to be covered by insurance.

Bonds.—Tell what bonds are to be furnished and who is to pay the premiums.

Payments.—Tell of payments to be made as the work progresses and the date of each, as well as the time at which the owner must pay the retained percentage and final estimate.

Retained Percentage.—Tell what percentage of the progress payments is to be held until the job is completed.

Changes in Plans and Work.—This provides for the making of desired changes together with their costs.

Additions.—This follows the changes.

Deductions.—This, like the additions in quantities of work, comes in at this point.

Extras.—Naturally follow here. Tell of the method of payment.

Liens.—Cover how the owner shall be protected from liens.

Royalties on Patents.—Set forth who shall pay these and the protection that the owner desires.

Use of Premises.—Tell how the contractor may use the owner's premises and the care that must be taken of the property.

Cleaning Up.—Tell that the builder must clean up the property.

Delays.—Cover delays to the work and the responsibility for same, and stipulate how delays will effect the time limit.

Terminating Contract.—Tell how the contract may be terminated.

Subcontractors.—Set forth how subcontracts may be made, the approval of all subcontractors, and their status.

Assignments.—Cover assignments of the contract and subcontracts.

Arbitration.—Set forth how disputes are to be settled by arbitration.

Office.—Tell that the builder must maintain an office on the job equipped with a telephone and that plans and specifications must be on file in this office.

Sanitation and Drainage.—Cover temporary sanitation and drainage until job is finished.

Temporary Connection with Pipes, Etc.—Tell how these must be made and at whose expense.

Specifications.—Under this heading comes the details of all the classes of work to be done, the principal kinds being listed as follows: excavation, foundations and footings, stone masonry, concrete, mortar, brick work, terra cotta, hollow tiles, fireproofing, floors, steel and iron, galvanized metal, copper, metal flashing, roofs, partitions, lathing and plastering, wallboard, ceilings, carpenters' and jointers' work, mill work, painting, glazing, cornice, exterior finish, hardware, plumbing, heating, lighting, elevators, specials of all kinds, and alternates.

Additional classes of construction and the finish of the various work or the placing of machinery and other features, can all be covered under *specials.*

At the end of the specifications space should be provided for the builder to sign the specifications in the presence of witnesses. Over this signature should be a short statement setting forth that the builder has read the specifications from page one to page (the last page inclusive), or if the pages are not numbered but the paragraphs are, then use the numbers of the paragraphs. This signing of specifications prevents the contractor from saying he has not seen or does not know certain provisions of the specifications or general terms of the contract. Some few architects go farther than this and have the contractor sign each page of the specifications so as to prevent pages from being ignored, lost, or destroyed. This may be going to extremes, but it is always advisable to have the specifications signed.

3. Contract Kept Secret.—It is the part of good business to keep secret or private, the contract part of the agreement, regarding prices, payments, and similar features. This prevents superintendents, foremen, clerks and others from knowing too much of the owner's and contractor's business. For this reason, in the outline of contract form and specifications given above, it is possible to remove the proposal and agreement from the cover, keeping in it the general conditions, other features, and specifications for use among employees.

4. Schedules of Materials and Work.—Following the *alternates* in the specifications, it is possible to give the schedules of materials as taken from the drawings and specifications. (Only recently the writer saw such schedules attached to the specifications.) This allows the contractor to know definitely what the owner and architect desire as to grades and qualities. It is also a check upon the plans. A builder can easily check up such a schedule from the drawings and specifications. Such schedules of materials also allow the contractor to obtain prices quickly while he is estimating on the job instead of receiving some prices after the proposal is submitted.

Reference has already been made as to quantity surveying. Such surveys would not only give the schedules of materials but also the work or labor schedules which, if made out, should follow the list of materials. These schedules would make the bidders have the same knowledge of the job as the architect possesses, thus allowing closer and more accurate estimates to be given.

5. Penalties.—Penalties should never be stipulated or mentioned in the contract or specifications. Courts do not look with favor upon penalties. Instead, it can be stipulated that the contractor agrees to pay certain sums of money for delays and other hardships placed upon the owner. These are agreed upon by both parties to the contract as liquidated damages.

Certain sums are sometimes agreed upon as liquidated damages for each day's delay in finishing a job. This is legal, but if such damage to the owner really occurs, then he is benefitted in the same sum should the contractor finish ahead of the stipulated date. It is but fair that if the contractor pays for each day's delay, he should be given a bonus of the same amount for each day that he finishes ahead of the contract time. Thus a forfeit and bonus contract should be made.

6. Material Standards in Specifications.—Today many national engineering and technical societies and associations have adopted standard specifications governing the selecting and grading of materials and work. There are standard specifications and grading rules for lumber, cement, steel, electric wiring, fireproofing, and other lines. Such standards should be followed in the regular building specifications, but it is improper to copy the long specification for many builders are not accustomed to the special terms, etc., in them and they, feeling uncertain, protect themselves by adding a percentage to cover any rejections under such specifications.

Instead of copying such specifications, it is proper to mention them by name; as the lumber must be merchantable stock as set forth in the specifications of the National Lumbermen's Association, and the cement must be according to the standard of the American Society of Testing Materials, and so on through a long list. Any contractor can obtain copies of such standards.

7. City Codes.—All construction done in towns and cities must conform to the city codes, and the jobs must be passed upon by the city inspectors. It is necessary to have the plans passed upon by the building inspector and a permit obtained before the job can be started. If a fee must be paid for this permit, it is customary for the owner to pay it, although under some specifications the cost of the permit is placed upon the builder.

The builder must also conform to the city building regulations, the ordinances regarding the safety of pedestrians and vehicles, and those regulating the blocking of sidewalks and streets.

8. Sheets for Specifications.—In writing specifications and having certain standards, it becomes possible to cover the main features of a job with these standards. Thus, most of the concrete construction can be standard, one job being similar to another; the carpenter work can be the same; likewise floors, mill work, painting, glazing, etc. Now if the specifications for each class of work or type of construction are written or printed upon separate sheets, and the various standards not run from one sheet or set of sheets to another, it becomes very easy to get up a set of specifications.

With the standard for each class of work printed upon one sheet or set of sheets, the material for the various kinds of construction can be taken from a file and placed together according to the arrangement given in this section, or the order adopted by the architect. Thus the greater part of the contract form and specifications can be compiled from sheets already written or printed. Blank spaces left on the bottom of these sheets or extra blank sheets placed in the specifications, will provide ample room for writing out those details that must be special for each new job. In this manner, an architect's specifications will vary on different jobs only for those details that must be gotten up special for each undertaking. Those architects who have tried this method consider it ideal.

9. Onerous Specifications.—In concluding, it must be remembered that vague or indefinite conditions in a contract, and such clauses and provisions in specifications, especially for architectural construction, have as much to do with adding to the cost as impractical and poorly prepared plans. Contracts and specifications must be fair and definite if good work is to be done at a reasonable cost.

PART III

MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT

SECTION 1

HEATING, VENTILATION, AND POWER

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PROPERTIES OF AIR, WATER, AND STEAM

1. Water.—Water is a chemical compound composed of 16 parts by weight of oxygen and 2 parts hydrogen, or 2 volumes of hydrogen to 1 of oxygen (H_2O). It is practically incompressible but its weight per cubic foot changes with the temperature (see Columns 1 and 6, Table 2). A U. S. gallon occupies 231 cu. in. and weighs, at 62 deg. F., approximately 8.33 lb., and 1 cu. ft. = 7.48 gal. The boiling point of water varies with the absolute pressure upon its surface —that is, every absolute pressure has a fixed boiling point. For example, 212 deg. F. is the boiling point for a pressure of 14.7 lb. The boiling point also changes with altitude above sea level due to the reduced atmospheric pressure. The following table gives the boiling point at different altitudes:

Table 1.—Boiling Points of Water at Different Altitudes

Boiling point (Fahr.)	Altitude above sea level (feet)	Atmospheric pressure (lb. per sq. in.)	Barometer reading (inches of mercury)
185°	14,649	8.38	17.06
190°	11,800	9.34	19.02
195°	9,030	10.39	21.15
200°	6,304	11.52	23.47
205°	3,642	12.77	26.00
210°	1,025	14.13	28.76

The specific heat of water, or the number of British thermal units (B.t.u.) required to raise the temperature of 1 lb. of pure water 1 deg. F., varies slightly with the temperature, but for all purposes of heating it may be taken at 1 B.t.u. per lb. Table 2 is a steam table which gives the boiling point for various pressures.

TABLE 2.—THERMAL AND PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF WATER AND SATURATED STEAM

Marks and Davis

Temp. (Fahr.) (1)	Vacuum (inches of mercury) / Gage pressure (lb. per sq. in.) (2)	Absolute pressure (lb. per sq. in.) (3)	Specific volume (cu. ft. per lb.) (4)	Density (lb. per cu. ft.) (5)	Weight of liquid (lb. per cu. ft.) (6)	Heat of liquid (B.t.u.) (7)	Latent heat of evaporation (B.t.u.) (8)	Total heat of steam (B.t.u.) (9)
32	29.74	0.0886	3294.0	0.000304	62.418	0.00	1073.4	1073.4
35	29.71	0.0999	2938.0	0.000340	62.425	3.02	1071.7	1074.7
40	29.67	0.1217	2438.0	0.000410	62.43	8.05	1068.9	1076.9
45	29.620	0.1475	2033.0	0.000492	62.425	13.07	1066.1	1079.2
50	29.560	0.1780	1702.0	0.000587	62.42	18.08	1063.3	1081.4
55	29.464	0.2140	1430.0	0.000700	62.395	23.08	1060.6	1083.6
60	29.40	0.2562	1208.0	0.000828	62.37	28.08	1057.8	1085.9
65	29.30	0.3054	1024.0	0.000977	62.335	33.07	1055.0	1088.1
70	29.18	0.3626	871.0	0.001148	62.300	38.06	1052.3	1090.3
75	29.047	0.4288	743.0	0.001346	62.260	43.05	1049.5	1092.5
80	28.891	0.505	636.8	0.001570	62.220	48.03	1046.7	1094.8
85	28.711	0.594	545.9	0.001832	62.165	53.02	1044.0	1097.0
90	28.503	0.696	469.3	0.002131	62.110	58.00	1041.2	1099.2
95	28.265	0.813	405.0	0.002469	62.055	62.99	1038.4	1101.4
100	27.994	0.946	350.8	0.002851	62.00	67.97	1035.6	1103.6
105	27.684	1.098	304.7	0.003282	61.930	72.95	1032.8	1105.8
110	27.331	1.271	265.5	0.003766	61.860	77.94	1030.0	1108.0
115	26.933	1.467	231.9	0.004312	61.785	82.92	1027.2	1110.2
120	26.482	1.689	203.1	0.004924	61.71	87.91	1024.4	1112.3
125	25.974	1.938	178.4	0.005605	61.63	92.90	1021.6	1114.5
130	25.40	2.219	157.1	0.006370	61.55	97.89	1018.8	1116.7
135	24.76	2.533	138.7	0.00721	61.465	102.88	1016.0	1118.8
140	24.04	2.885	122.8	0.00814	61.38	107.87	1013.1	1121.0
145	23.25	3.277	109.0	0.00918	61.29	112.86	1010.3	1123.1
150	22.35	3.714	96.9	0.01032	61.20	117.86	1007.4	1125.3
155	21.37	4.199	86.4	0.01157	61.10	122.86	1004.5	1127.4
160	20.27	4.737	77.2	0.01296	61.00	127.86	1001.6	1129.5
165	19.06	5.333	69.1	0.01448	60.90	132.86	998.7	1131.6
170	17.72	5.992	62.0	0.01614	60.80	137.87	995.8	1133.7
175	16.25	6.714	55.7	0.01796	60.69	142.87	992.9	1135.7
180	14.63	7.51	50.15	0.01994	60.58	147.88	989.9	1137.8
185	12.85	8.38	45.25	0.02210	60.47	152.89	986.9	1139.8
190	10.90	9.34	40.91	0.02444	60.36	157.91	983.9	1141.8
195	8.77	10.39	37.04	0.02700	60.24	162.92	980.9	1143.8
200	6.45	11.52	33.6	0.02976	60.12	167.94	977.8	1145.8
205	3.92	12.77	30.53	0.03276	60.00	172.96	974.7	1147.7
210	1.16	14.13	27.8	0.03597	59.880	177.99	971.6	1149.6
212	0.00	14.7	26.79	0.03732	59.83	180.00	970.4	1150.4
215	0.90	15.6	25.35	0.03945	59.755	183.00	968.4	1151.5
220	2.49	17.19	23.15	0.04320	59.630	188.10	965.2	1153.3
225	4.21	18.91	21.17	0.04723	59.500	193.10	962.0	1155.1
230	6.07	20.77	19.39	0.0516	59.370	198.20	958.7	1156.9
235	8.09	22.79	17.78	0.0562	59.240	203.20	955.4	1158.7
240	10.27	24.97	16.32	0.0613	59.110	208.30	952.1	1160.4
245	12.61	27.31	15.01	0.0666	58.970	213.40	948.7	1162.1
250	15.12	29.82	13.82	0.0724	58.830	218.50	945.3	1163.8
255	17.83	32.53	12.74	0.0785	58.690	223.50	941.9	1165.4
260	20.72	35.42	11.76	0.0850	58.550	228.60	938.4	1167.0
265	23.82	38.52	10.87	0.0920	58.405	233.70	934.9	1168.6
270	27.15	41.85	10.06	0.0994	58.260	238.80	931.4	1170.2
275	30.70	45.40	9.32	0.1073	58.110	243.90	927.9	1171.8
280	34.48	49.18	8.64	0.1157	57.960	249.00	924.3	1173.3
285	38.54	53.24	8.02	0.1246	57.805	254.20	920.5	1174.7
290	42.85	57.55	7.46	0.1341	57.650	259.30	916.9	1176.2
292	44.64	59.34	7.24	0.1380	57.586	261.30	915.4	1176.8
295	47.43	62.13	6.94	0.1441	57.490	264.40	913.2	1177.6
297	48.34	64.04	6.74	0.1483	57.426	266.50	911.7	1178.2

TABLE 2 (*continued*).—THERMAL AND PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF WATER AND SATURATED STEAM

Temp. (Fahr.)	Gage pressure (lb. per sq. in.)	Absolute pressure (lb. per sq. in.)	Specific volume (cu. ft. per lb.)	Density (lb. per cu. ft.)	Weight of liquid (lb. per cu. ft.)	Heat of liquid (B.t.u.)	Latent heat of evaporation (B.t.u.)	Total heat of steam (B.t.u.)
300	52.30	67.00	6.46	0.1547	57.330	269.60	909.5	1179.1
302	54.33	69.03	6.28	0.1591	57.264	271.60	908.0	1179.6
305	57.47	72.17	6.03	0.1659	57.165	274.70	905.7	1180.4
307	59.64	74.34	5.86	0.1707	57.099	276.80	904.2	1181.0
310	62.97	77.67	5.62	0.1779	57.000	279.90	901.9	1181.8
312	65.27	79.97	5.47	0.1829	56.932	281.90	900.3	1182.3
315	68.79	83.49	5.26	0.1904	56.830	285.00	898.0	1183.1
317	71.2	85.90	5.12	0.1956	56.762	287.10	896.5	1183.6
320	74.93	89.63	4.91	0.2036	56.660	290.20	894.2	1184.4
322	77.49	92.19	4.78	0.2092	56.588	292.30	892.6	1184.9
325	81.45	96.15	4.60	0.2176	56.480	295.40	890.2	1185.6
327	84.15	98.85	4.48	0.2234	56.408	297.50	888.7	1186.1
330	88.30	103.0	4.306	0.2322	56.300	300.60	886.3	1186.9
332	91.2	105.9	4.195	0.2384	56.228	302.70	884.7	1187.4
335	95.6	110.3	4.035	0.2478	56.120	305.80	882.3	1188.1
337	98.7	113.4	3.934	0.2542	56.048	307.90	880.7	1188.6
340	103.3	118.0	3.787	0.2641	55.940	311.00	878.3	1189.3
342	106.5	121.2	3.692	0.2709	55.866	313.00	876.7	1189.7
345	111.3	126.0	3.555	0.2813	55.755	316.20	874.2	1190.4
347	114.7	129.4	3.468	0.2884	55.681	318.30	872.6	1190.9
350	119.9	134.6	3.342	0.2992	55.570	321.40	870.1	1191.5
352	123.4	138.1	3.261	0.3067	55.492	323.50	868.5	1192.0
354	127.0	141.7	3.182	0.3143	55.414	325.60	866.8	1192.4
356	130.7	145.4	3.105	0.3221	55.336	327.70	865.2	1192.9
358	134.4	149.1	3.030	0.3301	55.258	329.80	863.5	1193.3
360	138.3	153.0	2.957	0.3382	55.180	331.90	861.8	1193.7
362	142.2	156.9	2.887	0.3464	55.100	334.00	860.2	1194.1
364	146.1	160.8	2.820	0.3546	55.020	336.10	858.5	1194.6
366	150.2	164.9	2.754	0.3631	54.940	338.20	856.8	1195.0
368	154.3	169.0	2.690	0.3717	54.860	340.30	855.1	1195.4
370	158.6	173.3	2.627	0.3806	54.780	342.40	853.4	1195.8
372	162.9	177.6	2.567	0.3896	54.696	344.50	851.7	1196.2
374	167.2	181.9	2.508	0.3998	54.612	346.60	850.0	1196.6
376	171.7	186.4	2.450	0.4081	54.528	348.70	848.3	1197.0
378	176.2	190.9	2.394	0.4177	54.444	350.80	846.5	1197.4
380	180.9	195.6	2.340	0.4270	54.360	352.90	844.8	1197.7
382	185.6	200.3	2.287	0.4370	54.276	355.00	843.1	1198.1
383	188.0	202.7	2.261	0.4420	54.234	356.10	842.2	1198.3
384	190.4	205.1	2.236	0.4470	54.192	357.20	841.3	1198.5
385	192.9	207.6	2.211	0.4520	54.15	358.20	840.5	1198.7
386	195.3	210.0	2.186	0.4570	54.108	359.30	839.6	1198.9
387	197.9	212.6	2.161	0.4630	54.066	360.30	838.7	1199.0
388	200.4	215.1	2.137	0.4680	54.024	361.40	837.8	1199.2
389	202.9	217.6	2.113	0.4730	53.982	362.40	837.0	1199.4
390	205.5	220.2	2.089	0.4790	53.940	363.50	836.1	1199.6
391	208.1	222.8	2.066	0.4840	53.896	364.60	835.2	1199.8
392	210.7	225.4	2.043	0.4890	53.852	365.60	834.3	1199.9
393	213.3	228.0	2.021	0.4950	53.808	366.70	833.4	1200.1
394	216.0	230.7	1.999	0.5000	53.764	367.70	832.5	1200.3
395	218.7	233.4	1.977	0.5060	53.720	368.80	831.6	1200.4
396	221.4	236.1	1.955	0.5120	53.676	369.90	830.7	1200.6
397	224.1	238.8	1.934	0.5170	53.632	370.90	829.9	1200.8
398	226.8	241.5	1.913	0.5230	53.588	372.00	829.0	1201.0
399	229.6	244.3	1.892	0.5290	53.544	373.00	828.1	1201.1
400	232.4	247.1	1.872	0.5340	53.500	374.10	827.2	1201.3
410	261.6	276.3	1.679	0.5960	53.000	384.70	818.2	1202.9
420	293.7	308.4	1.510	0.6620	52.600	395.40	809.0	1204.4
430	328.3	343.0	1.361	0.7350	52.200	406.20	799.6	1205.8
440	366.1	380.8	1.229	0.8140	51.760	417.00	790.1	1207.1
450	406.3	421.0	1.110	0.9000	51.200	428.00	780.0	1208.0

2. Steam.—Steam is a vapor which results from supplying sufficient heat to water to bring it to the boiling point and to cause it to evaporate. The change from liquid to vapor takes place at a definite and constant temperature which is determined solely by the pressure on the water. A change in pressure will always be accompanied by a change in temperature at which boiling occurs, and is accompanied by a corresponding change in the heat required to evaporate the water after it is brought to the boiling point, called *latent heat of evaporation.*

2*a*. Steam Table.—In Table 2, pp. 1081 and 1082, the gage pressure is given for various temperatures, with zero reading at atmosphere. The absolute pressure is the gage pressure plus 14.7 lb. The density is the reciprocal of the specific volume. The total heat is the heat in the liquid plus the latent heat of evaporation.

Below 212 deg. F. the pressure is tabulated on p. 1081, in inches of mercury for use in solving problems dealing with condensing prime movers. The properties of steam are all tabulated for a weight of 1 lb. of saturated steam. The heat of the liquid and total heat are calculated above 32 deg. F.—that is, the amount of heat in the liquid at 32 deg. F. is taken as the zero or starting point, from which the above quantities are calculated.

2*b*. Quality of Steam.—Steam in contact with the water, as in a boiler where it is generated, is known as saturated steam, and is termed wet saturated or dry saturated. The former contains a percentage of entrained water and this percentage determines the quality—that is, steam with a quality of 95 % is steam having 5 % of its weight in the form of water.

2*c*. Superheated Steam.—If heat is added to dry saturated steam not in contact with the water and the pressure is maintained the same as when it was vaporized, it will then become superheated, or the temperature will be higher than that corresponding to the pressure at saturation. It will not become superheated in contact with the water. The specific heat of superheated steam changes with the pressure (0.48 average value). Superheat increases the specific volume of steam—that is, a greater number of cubic feet of superheated steam are produced at the same pressure from a given weight of water than of saturated steam. Therefore more mechanical work is available from a given expenditure of heat.

3. Air.—Pure air is a mixture of oxygen and nitrogen in proportion of 20.9 % oxygen and 79.1 % nitrogen by volume, and by weight, 23 % oxygen and 77 % nitrogen. Air in nature always contains other constituents in varying amounts, such as dust, carbon dioxide (CO_2), ozone, and water vapor. The physical and thermal properties of air are given in Table 3. This table is used in all heating problems which follow where the heat content of air is involved.

The specific heat of air, or the number of B.t.u. required to raise the temperature of 1 lb. of air 1 deg. F. is practically a constant and is taken as 0.24 B.t.u.

The CO_2 content of air in the open varies from 4 to 6 parts in 10,000 by volume, and the moisture varies from a very small amount to as high as 4 % by weight. These ingredients spread out nearly uniformly in the atmosphere.

CO_2 is not poisonous but if present in large proportions, a person might die of suffocation. The amount present is regarded as an index of the quality of the air and indicates the character of the ventilation. It should not exceed 8 or 10 parts in 10,000 for good ventilation.

3*a*. Humidity.—Humidity is caused by water vapor (or moisture) being mixed with air in the atmosphere. The weight of water vapor a given space will contain is dependent entirely on the temperature—that is, the amount of vapor is exactly the same whether air is present or not. The air therefore simply affects the humidity by its temperature.

3*b*. Relative Humidity.—Relative humdity is the ratio of the weight of water vapor in a given space to the weight of this vapor which the same space will contain (full saturation) at the same temperature. Under normal conditions the external air has a relative humidity varying from 50 to 75 % of full saturation. When the relative humidity is much above or below these limits, ill effects are experienced.

3*c*. Dew Point.—Dew point is the temperature at which saturation is obtained for a given weight of water vapor, or the temperature where any reduction in temperature would cause condensation of some of the water vapor in the form of dew particles.

TABLE 3.—PROPERTIES OF AIR OR WEIGHTS OF AIR, VAPOR OF WATER, AND SATURATED MIXTURES OF AIR AND VAPOR OF DIFFERENT TEMPERATURES, UNDER THE ORDINARY ATMOSPHERIC PRESSURE OF 29.921 IN. OF MERCURY

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Temperature Fahr.	Volume of dry air at different temperatures, the volume at 32° being 1.000	Weight of a cubic foot of dry air at different temperatures in pounds	Elastic force of vapor in inches of mercury (Regnault)	Mixtures of air saturated with vapor				Ratio of water to dry air	Ratio of dry air to water vapor	Cubic feet of vapor from one pound of water at pressure as in column 4	B.t.u. absorbed by 1 cu. ft. dry air per degree F.	B.t.u. absorbed by 1 cu. ft. saturated air per degree F.	Cubic feet dry air warmed 1 deg. per B.t.u.	Cubic feet saturated air warmed 1 deg. per B.t.u.
				Elastic force of the air in the mixture of air and vapor in inches of mercury	Weight of a cubic foot of mixture									
					Weight of the air in pounds	Weight of the vapor in pounds	Total weight of mixture in pounds							
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
0°	0.935	0.0864	0.044	29.877	0.0863	0.000079	0.086379	0.00092	1092.4	.....	0.02056	0.02054	48.5	48.7
12	0.960	0.0842	0.074	29.849	0.0840	0.000130	0.084130	0.00115	646.1	.....	0.02004	0.02006	50.1	50.0
22	0.980	0.0824	0.118	29.803	0.0821	0.000202	0.082302	0.00245	406.4	.....	0.01961	0.01963	51.1	51.0
32	1.000	0.0807	0.181	29.740	0.0802	0.000304	0.080504	0.00379	263.81	3289.0	0.01921	0.01924	52.0	51.8
42	1.020	0.0791	0.267	29.654	0.0784	0.000440	0.078840	0.00561	178.18	2252.0	0.01882	0.01884	53.2	52.8
52	1.041	0.0776	0.388	29.533	0.0766	0.000627	0.077227	0.00819	122.17	1595.0	0.01847	0.01848	54.0	53.8
60	1.057	0.0764	0.522	29.399	0.0751	0.000830	0.075930	0.01083	92.27	1227.0	0.01818	0.01822	55.0	54.9
62	1.061	0.0761	0.556	29.365	0.0747	0.000881	0.075581	0.01179	84.79	1135.0	0.01811	0.01812	55.2	55.2
70	1.078	0.0750	0.754	29.182	0.0731	0.001153	0.074253	0.01548	64.59	882.0	0.01777	0.01794	56.3	55.5
72	1.082	0.0747	0.785	29.136	0.0727	0.001221	0.073921	0.01680	59.54	819.0	0.01770	0.01790	56.5	55.8
82	1.102	0.0733	1.092	28.829	0.0706	0.001667	0.072267	0.02361	42.35	600.0	0.01744	0.01770	57.2	56.5
92	1.122	0.0720	1.501	28.420	0.0684	0.002250	0.070717	0.03289	30.40	444.0	0.01710	0.01751	58.5	57.1
100	1.139	0.0710	1.929	27.992	0.0664	0.002848	0.069261	0.04495	23.66	356.0	0.01690	0.01735	59.1	57.8
102	1.143	0.0707	2.036	27.885	0.0659	0.002997	0.068897	0.04547	21.98	334.0	0.01682	0.01731	59.5	57.8
112	1.163	0.0694	2.731	27.190	0.0631	0.003946	0.067042	0.06253	15.99	253.0	0.01651	0.01711	60.6	58.5
122	1.184	0.0682	3.621	26.300	0.0599	0.005142	0.065046	0.08584	11.65	194.0	0.01623	0.01691	61.7	59.1
132	1.204	0.0671	4.752	25.169	0.0564	0.006639	0.063039	0.11771	8.49	151.0	0.01596	0.01670	62.5	59.9
142	1.224	0.0660	6.165	23.756	0.0524	0.008473	0.060873	0.16170	6.18	118.0	0.01571	0.01652	63.7	60.6
152	1.245	0.0649	7.930	21.991	0.0477	0.010716	0.058416	0.22465	4.45	93.3	0.01544	0.01654	64.8	60.5
162	1.265	0.0638	10.099	19.822	0.0423	0.013415	0.055715	0.31713	3.15	74.5	0.01518	0.01656	65.9	60.4
172	1.285	0.0628	12.758	17.163	0.0360	0.016682	0.052682	0.46338	2.16	59.2	0.01494	0.01658	67.1	60.3
182	1.306	0.0618	15.960	13.961	0.0288	0.020536	0.049336	0.71300	1.402	48.6	0.01471	0.01687	68.0	59.3
192	1.326	0.0609	19.828	10.093	0.0205	0.025142	0.045642	1.22643	0.815	39.8	0.01449	.....	68.9	
202	1.347	0.0600	24.450	5.471	0.0109	0.030545	0.041445	2.80230	0.357	32.7	0.01426	.....	70.2	
212	1.367	0.0591	29.921	0.000	0.0000	0.036820	0.036820	Infinite	0.000	27.1	0.01406	.....	71.4	

HEATING

4. Transmission of Heat.—Heat is transmitted by conduction, convection, and radiation, and its intensity is measured by a thermometer. Temperature and pressure are no indication of work performed. They indicate merely a possible rate of performance.

Conduction is the transmission of heat from particle to particle of the same substance. This transmission will occur between portions of the same substance, the heat flowing in any direction from the higher to the lower temperature. Time is required for conduction to take place and varies with the distance, nature of the material, and temperature difference. The coefficient of conduction is the quantity of heat which flows in a unit of time through a cross section of unit area and a unit of thickness with a difference of 1 deg.

Convection is the transmission of heat by circulation of a fluid, or gas, over the surface of a colder or hotter body. The particles of the moving substances come in close contact with the hotter body and are actually heated by conduction during the period of contact and they then pass on, carrying the heat absorbed and making way for fresh cooler particles. This circulation may be caused by natural forces or may be produced mechanically. The circulation of water in a boiler is an example of the former, while air passing over heater coils in a fan blast heating system is an example of the latter condition. In case the circulating medium is hotter than the other body, the process of heat transfer will be reversed. In general, it may be said that the heat transferred by convection is independent of the nature of the substance and of the surrounding absolute temperature. The heat transferred depends (1) on the velocity of the medium—varying as some function of this velocity, (2) on the form and dimensions of the body, and (3) on the temperature difference.

Radiation is the transmission of heat through a medium, commonly known as the ether, which is assumed to occupy all intermolecular spaces. Radiation takes place under the same law as light—in straight lines—and its intensity varies inversely as the square of the distance through which the heat is transmitted. Radiant heat continues to travel in a straight line until intercepted or absorbed by some body. The amount of radiant heat emitted or absorbed depends largely upon the character of the surface of the hot or cold body, and it has been found that the power of absorption of a substance is exactly the same as the power of emission of heat.

RELATIVE RADIATING OR ABSORBING POWER AT 212 DEG.

	Effects of kind of material (Based on lamp black as 100 %)		Effects of painting (Based on bare iron as 100 %)
Lamp black	100	Bare iron	100
White lead	100	Aluminum or copper bronze	75
Paper	98	Snow white enamel	101
Glass	90	White lead paint	99
Steel	17	White zinc paint	101
Platinum	17		
Copper	7		

Radiant heat has the property of passing through dry gases without heating them to any appreciable extent, but air containing water vapor or dust will intercept and absorb radiant heat.

5. Transmission of Heat through Building Materials.[1]—The quantities of heat transmitted through building materials are known as heat losses and should be carefully estimated. The following methods of computation will indicate how they may be reduced by proper construction, thereby decreasing the fuel required for heating in winter.

[1] Experimental data in this article taken from the Univ. of Illinois Bull. 102, entitled "A study of the Heat Transmission of Building Materials," by A. C. Willard and L. C. Lichty.

The amount of heat that must be supplied in order to warm a room may be divided into: (*a*) the heat required to offset the heat transmission of walls, ceiling, roof, and floor; and (*b*) heat required to warm the air entering the room from the outside by infiltration or otherwise, commonly known as the air change. Heat supplied by persons, lights, machinery, and motors may be deducted from the sum of items (*a*) and (*b*).

TABLE 4.—USUAL INSIDE TEMPERATURES

Public buildings	68 to 72°F.
Factories	65°F.
Machine shops	60 to 65°F.
Foundries, boiler shops	50 to 60°F.
Residences	70°F.
Bath rooms	85°F.
Schools	70°F.
Hospitals	72 to 75°F.
Paint shops	80°F.

TABLE 5.—CLIMATIC CONDITIONS IN THE U. S. WIND VELOCITIES AND TEMPERATURES

State	City	Temperature Deg.F.		Wind velocity	
		Lowest	Average	Maximum	Average
Alabama	Mobile	− 1	57.7	..	..
	Montgomery	− 5	56.1	54	5
Arizona	Flagstaff	−21	34.8	..	..
	Phoenix	12	58.9	..	..
Arkansas	Fort Smith	−15	49.5	66	5
	Little Rock	−12	52.0	..	..
California	San Francisco	29	....	60	9
	Independence	10	48.7	..	..
	San Diego	32	57.2	43	6
Colorado	Denver	−29	38.4	75	7
	Grand Junction	−16	39.2	..	..
Connecticut	Southington	−19	36.3	..	..
	Hartford	−14	....	..	..
	New Haven	−14	....	..	..
District of Columbia	Washington	−15	42.9	66	5
Florida	Jacksonville	10	60.9	70	6
	Pensacola	7	56.0	..	..
Georgia	Savannah	8	57.2	88	7
	Atlanta	− 8	51.4	66	9
Idaho	Boise	−28	39.6	55	4
	Lewiston	−18	42.5	..	..
Illinois	Chicago	−23	35.9	84	9
	Springfield	−22	39.0	..	..
Indiana	Indianapolis	−25	40.4	..	..
	Evansville	−15	44.0	..	..
Iowa	Sioux City	−31	32.1	..	..
	Keokuk	−26	37.6	60	8
	Dubuque	−32	32.0	60	5
Kansas	Wichita	−22	42.9	..	..
	Dodge City	−26	36.0	75	11
Kentucky	Louisville	−20	45.0	60	7
Louisana	New Orleans	7	60.5	66	7
	Shreveport	− 5	55.7	..	..
Maine	Portland	−17	33.5	61	5
	East Port	−21	31.1	78	9
Maryland	Baltimore	− 7	43.3	..	..
Massachusetts	Boston	.....	....	72	11

TABLE 5.—CLIMATIC CONDITIONS IN THE U. S. WIND VELOCITIES AND TEMPERATURES
Continued

State	City	Temperature Deg.F.		Wind velocity	
		Lowest	Average	Maximum	Average
Michigan	Detroit	−24	35.3	76	9
	Alpena	−27	29.1	72	9
Minnesota	Duluth	−41	25.5	78	7
	Minneapolis	−33	28.4	..	..
Mississippi	Vicksburgh	− 1	56.0	62	6
Missouri	Springfield	−29	43.0	..	..
	St. Louis	−22	39.0	80	11
Montana	Helena	−42	30.9	70	6
	Havre	−55	27.7	76	11
Nebraska	Lincoln	−29	35.8	..	..
	North Platte	−35	34.6	96	9
Nevada	Carson City	−22	34.8	..	..
New Hampshire	Concord	−35	33.1	..	..
New Jersey	Atlantic City	− 7	41.6	..	..
New York	New York City	− 6	40.1	96	9
	Saranac Lake	−38	34.1	..	..
New Mexico	Sante Fe	−13	38.0	53	6
N. Carolina	Charlotte	− 5	49.8	55	5
N. Dakota	Bismark	−44	23.5	74	8
Ohio	Toledo	−16	36.8	72	9
	Columbus	−20	39.8	..	..
	Cincinnati	−17	39.0	59	7
Oklahoma	Oklahoma	−17	47.1	..	..
Oregon	Baker City	−20	34.1	..	..
	Portland	− 2	45.4	..	..
Pennsylvania	Pittsburgh	−20	40.8	69	6
	Philadelphia	− 6	41.8	75	10
Rhode Island	Providence	− 9	37.5	..	..
S. Carolina	Charleston	7	56.9	..	..
	Columbia	2	53.5	..	..
S. Dakota	Huron	—43	25.9	69	10
	Yankton	−32	31.2	..	..
Tennessee	Knoxville	−16	47.0	84	5
	Memphis	− 9	50.7	75	6
	Chattanooga	−10	48.0	60	6
Texas	Forth Worth	− 8	49.5	..	..
	Galveston	8	56.0	84	10
Utah	Salt Lake City	−20	39.7	66	5
Vermont	North Field	−32	27.8	..	..
	Burlington	−25	32.0	..	..
Virginia	Lynchburg	− 5	45.2	50	4
	Norfolk	2	45.0	..	..
Washington	Seattle	3	44.3	..	..
	Spokane	−30	37.0	52	4
W. Virginia	Parkersburg	−27	41.9	..	..
	Elkins	−21	38.8	..	..
Wisconsin	Milwaukee	−25	32.4	..	..
	La Crosse	−43	31.2	..	..
Wyoming	Cheyenne	−38	33.7	..	..
	Lander	−36	29.0	..	..

In computing the heat losses and boiler power, the first consideration is the temperature range between the inside and outside of building. Table 4 gives the customary required inside temperature of various classes of buildings. Table 5 gives the lowest and average temperatures, and the maximum and average wind velocities for different localities. Minimum temperatures are misleading as they seldom occur, and then for only short periods.

The best way to determine the minimum temperature on which to calculate the heat losses is to compare the average temperature of the locality under consideration with the one in which you reside and are familiar. In New York the minimum temperature (Table 5) is −6 deg. F. and in Detroit, −24 deg.F., while the averages are 40.1 deg. F. and 35.3 deg.F., yet all contracts are let on the basis of sufficient radiation for the room temperature in 0 deg.F. weather, in both places.

If radiation is provided for the minimum outside temperature, it will be at an unnecessary expense. Boiler, chimney, and grate should be of sufficient size to take care of the lowest temperature periods by raising the temperature of the radiation, or pressure of the heating medium.

The combined coefficient, U, may be defined as the amount of heat absorbed or given off per square foot of surface per hour, by radiation and convection under certain conditions of air movement, for each degree difference in temperature between the surface and the average temperature of the air. If the air movement is different on the two sides of a wall, the value of the combined coefficient will of course, be different owing to the fact that the heat loss by convection is different. Let K_1 = the combined coefficient for the inside wall; K_2 = the combined coefficient for the outside wall; $K_1(t - t_1)$ = the heat absorbed by the inside wall per sq. ft. per hr.; and $K_2(t_2 - t_o)$ = the heat given off by the outside wall surface per sq. ft. per hr. Then

$$K_1(t - t_1) = K_2(t_2 - t_o)$$

in which t and t_1 = temperature of the inside air and inside wall surface respectiveiy, and t_1 and t_2 = temperature of the outside air and outside wall surface respectively.

The average value of K_1 is 1.34 and K_2 increases with the velocity of wind over the surface. K_2 is taken generally at 3 times that of the inside wall surface. Following are the multipliers of K_2 for various wind velocities.

Wind velocity (miles	Brick	Wood
5	2.38	2.19
10	3.20	2.71
15	3.76	2.95
20	4.22	3.02

The amount of heat that will be transmitted through a material having parallel surfaces due to a difference in temperature between those surfaces is termed the conductivity of the material. The amount of heat that a given material will transmit is directly proportional to the difference in temperature between the surfaces and inversely proportional to the thickness. Let C = coefficient of conductivity or B.t.u. transmitted per square foot per hour per inch of thickness per 1-deg.F. difference in temperature of the two surfaces; t_1 = temperature of the inside wall surface; t_2 = temperature of the outside wall surface; and X = thickness of the wall in inches. Then

$\frac{C}{X}(t_1 - t_2)$ = heat transmitted by conduction per sq. ft. per hr.

TABLE 6.—COEFFICIENTS TO BE USED IN DETERMINING "U" FOR DIFFERENT MATERIALS

Material	"C" per 1 in. thick per sq. ft. per deg.	K in still air per degree	Factor to be used for K_2	K_2 Wind velocity 15 to 20 miles per hour
Dry brick wall	4.0	1.4	3	4.2
Brick wall with moisture	5.0	1.4	3	4.2
Sandstone	9.0	1.3	4	5.2
Concrete, 1–2–4 mix	8.3	1.3	4	5.2
Plaster or mortar	8.0	0.93	3	2.97
Wood (fir), one surface finished	1.0	1.4	3	4.2
Cork board	0.32	1.25	3	3.75
Magnesia board	0.50	1.45	3	4.35
Asbestos board	0.50	1.6	3	4.8
Sheet asbestos	0.3	1.4	3	4.2
Packed mineral wool	0.35	1.4	3	4.2
Glass—single (91.4%, total area)	2.06	1.5	3	4.5
Glass—double (½-in. air space, 69.3% area)	1.5	1.5	3	4.5
Roofing—2-in. tile*	5.3	1.25	3	3.75
2-in. tile roofing, plastered*	0.84	1.25	3	1.75
2-in. tile, ½-in. plaster, both sides*	1.00	0.93	3	2.79
4-in. tile, ½-in. plaster, both sides*	0.60	0.93	3	2.79
6-in. tile, ½-in. plaster, both sides*	0.47	0.93	3	2.79

* For thickness stated, not for 1 in.

6. Calculation of Heat Transmission Through Walls, Roofs, and Floors.[1]—The amount of heat received by the inside wall surface, the amount conducted through the wall, and the amount emitted must all be equal. Let U = the heat transmission of the actual wall per square foot per hour per degree difference in temperature on the two sides. Then

$$U(t - t_0) = K_1(t - t_1) = \frac{C}{X}(t_1 - t_2) = K_2(t_2 - t_0)$$

Since

$$(t - t_0) = (t - t_1) + (t_1 - t_2) + (t_2 - t_0)$$

$$U = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{K_1} + \frac{1}{K_2} + \frac{X}{C}}$$

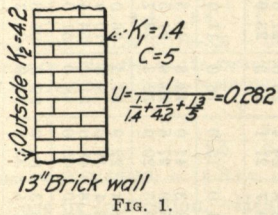


Fig. 1.

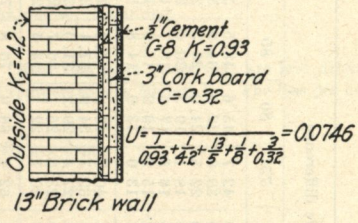


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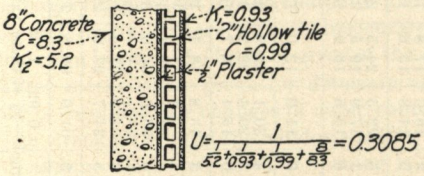


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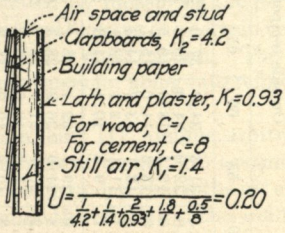


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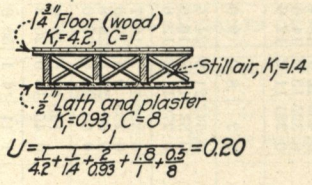


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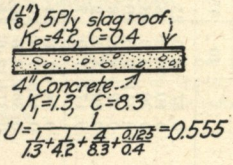


Fig. 6.

The value of $\frac{X}{C}$ for paper and very thin substances may be neglected. If the wall is composed of several layers of different materials in contact with an air space of thicknesses X_1, X_2, X_2, etc., then

$$U = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{K_1} + \frac{1}{K_2} + \frac{X_1}{C_1} + \frac{X_2}{C_2} + \frac{X_3}{C_3}\text{ etc.}}$$

K_1, K_2, and C being taken from Table 6 for the particular materials involved. Figs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 illustrate the methods of computing U for various types of walls, floors, and roofs.

It is customary for engineers to increase heat losses by a factor, called the *exposure factor*. Such an increase, however, is unnecessary if the above method is followed and the proper values used. The values in Table 7 have been calculated in accordance with the method above advocated, using results of the Illinois tests. If the values given are used with judgment, good results will be obtained. A typical heat loss schedule is given in Table 13, pp. 1096 and 1097.

[1] Method described is taken from the Univ. of Ill. Bull. 102, entitled "A Study of the Heat Transmission of Building Materials," by A. C. Willard and L. C. Lichty.

TABLE 7.—B.T.U. LOSSES OF BUILDING MATERIALS

$$U = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{K_1} + \frac{1}{K_2} + \frac{X_1}{C_1} \text{ etc.}}$$

X = thickness in inches

Material and thickness	U	Outside temperature difference												Experiment factors		
		40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	C_1	K_1	K_2
Brick wall 4 in.	0.57	23.0	25.6	28.5	31.3	34.2	37.0	39.9	42.7	45.6	48.5	51.3	54.1	5.0	1.4	4.2
Brick wall 8 in.	0.40	16.0	18.0	20.0	22.0	24.0	26.0	28.0	30.0	32.0	34.0	36.0	38.0			
Brick wall 12 in.	0.30	12.0	13.5	15.0	16.5	18.0	19.5	21.0	22.5	24.0	25.5	27.0	28.5			
Brick wall 16 in.	0.241	9.6	10.8	12.0	13.3	14.5	15.7	17.0	18.1	19.3	20.5	21.7	22.9			
Brick wall 18 in.	0.22	8.8	9.9	11.0	12.1	13.2	14.3	15.4	16.5	17.6	18.7	19.8	20.9			
Brick wall 20 in.	0.202	8.1	9.1	10.1	11.1	12.1	13.1	14.1	15.2	16.2	17.2	18.2	19.2			
Brick wall 24 in.	0.174	7.0	7.8	8.7	9.6	10.4	11.3	12.2	13.0	13.9	14.8	15.7	16.5			
Stone wall 8 in.	0.54	21.6	24.3	27.0	29.7	32.4	35.1	37.8	40.5	43.2	45.9	48.6	51.3	9.0	1.3	5.2
Stone wall 12 in.	0.436	17.4	19.6	21.8	24.0	26.2	28.3	30.5	32.7	34.9	37.1	39.2	41.4			
Stone wall 16 in.	0.365	14.6	16.4	18.25	20.1	21.9	23.7	25.6	27.4	29.2	31.0	32.8	34.7			
Stone wall 20 in.	0.314	12.6	14.1	15.7	17.3	18.6	20.4	22.0	23.6	25.1	26.7	28.3	29.8			
Stone wall 24 in.	0.276	11.0	12.4	13.8	15.2	16.6	17.9	19.3	20.7	22.1	23.5	24.8	26.2			
Concrete slab or wall 2 in.	0.833	33.3	37.5	41.6	45.8	50.0	54.1	58.3	62.4	66.6	70.8	75.0	79.1	8.3	1.3	5.2
Concrete slab or wall 4 in.	0.693	27.7	31.2	34.7	38.1	41.6	45.0	48.5	52.0	55.4	58.9	62.4	65.8			
Concrete slab or wall 6 in.	0.594	23.8	26.7	29.7	32.7	35.6	38.6	41.6	44.6	47.5	50.5	53.5	56.4			
Concrete slab or wall 8 in.	0.52	20.8	23.4	26.0	28.6	31.2	33.8	36.4	39.0	41.6	44.2	46.8	49.4			
Concrete slab or wall 10 in.	0.46	18.4	20.7	23.0	25.3	27.6	29.9	32.2	34.5	36.8	39.1	41.4	43.7			
Concrete slab or wall 12 in.	0.415	16.6	18.7	20.8	22.8	24.9	27.0	29.0	31.1	33.2	35.3	37.4	39.4			
Concrete slab or wall 16 in.	0.346	13.8	15.6	17.3	19.0	20.8	22.5	24.2	26.0	27.7	29.4	31.1	32.9			
Concrete slab or wall 20 in.	0.296	11.8	13.3	14.8	16.3	17.8	19.2	20.7	22.2	23.7	25.2	26.6	28.1			
Concrete slab or wall 24 in.	0.26	10.4	11.7	13.0	14.3	15.6	16.9	18.2	19.5	20.8	22.1	23.4	24.7			
Hollow tile 2 in.	0.409	16.4	18.4	20.5	22.5	24.5	26.6	28.6	30.7	32.7	34.8	36.8	38.7	0.99	0.93	2.79
Hollow tile 4 in.	0.325	13.0	14.6	16.3	17.9	19.5	21.1	22.8	24.4	26.0	27.6	29.3	30.9	0.61		
Hollow tile 6 in.	0.281	11.2	12.6	14.0	15.5	16.9	18.3	19.7	21.1	22.5	23.9	25.3	26.7	0.47		
Lath, plaster and stud														1.0	0.93	
Clapboards and sheathing	0.2	8.0	9.0	10.0	11.0	12.0	13.0	14.0	15.0	16.0	17.0	18.0	19.0	8.0	1.4	4.2
Solid wood 7/8 in.	0.547	21.9	24.6	27.4	30.1	32.8	35.6	38.3	41.0	43.8	46.5	49.2	52.0	1.0	1.4	4.2
Solid wood 1 3/4 in.	0.37	14.8	16.6	18.5	20.4	22.2	24.0	25.9	27.8	29.6	31.5	33.3	35.2	.....	1.4	4.2
Solid wood 2 5/8 in.	0.279	11.2	12.6	14.0	15.4	16.7	18.1	19.5	20.9	22.3	23.7	25.1	26.5	.....	1.4	4.2
5 ply slag roof 2-in. plank	0.306	12.2	13.7	15.3	16.8	18.4	19.9	21.4	22.9	24.5	26.0	27.5	29.1	1.0	1.4	4.2
5 ply slag roof 3-in. plank	0.235	9.4	10.6	11.75	12.4	14.1	15.3	16.4	17.6	18.8	19.9	21.1	22.3	0.4	1.4	4.2
5 ply slag roof 2-in. concrete	0.64	25.6	28.8	32.0	35.2	38.4	41.6	44.8	48.0	51.2	54.4	57.6	60.8	8.3		
5 ply slag roof 3-in. concrete	0.60	24.0	27.0	30.0	33.0	36.0	39.0	42.0	45.0	48.0	51.0	54.0	57.0	0.4	1.3	4.2
Glass—single	1.125	45.0	50.6	56.3	61.9	67.5	73.1	78.3	84.3	90.0	95.6	101.3	106.9	.....	1.5	4.5
Glass—double	0.45	18.0	20 3	22.5	24.7	27.0	29.3	31.5	33.8	36.0	38.3	40.5	42.5			
Corrugated iron No. 14 (unlined 0.08)	1.11	4.4	50.0	55.5	61.0	66.6	72.2	77.7	83.3	88.8	94.4	99.9	105.5	10.0	1.5	4.5
B.t.u. per cu. ft. $\times$ 0.075 $\times (t - t_1) \times$ 0.24 = 0.018					0.99	1.08	1.17	1.26	1.35	1.44	1.53	1.62	1.71			
Air infiltration. Values below for 1/16-in. crack—1/2 of these values for 1/32-in. crack																
(P = perimeter of window in feet) 60 $\times$ 13 $\times$ 0.147 $\times$ 0.086 $\times$ 0.24 = 2.4 P per degree per ft.	2.4	96.0	108.0	120.0	132.0	144.0	156.0	168.0	180.0	192.0	204.0	216.0	228.0			

It has been recommended that the temperature difference usually considered under roofs be increased. This should be done with judgment since, as a rule, the top floor, with the roof loss properly figured, will have too much radiation.

The first floor where doors occur usually has too little radiation. This is especially true when the doors are opened often. The elevator shaft and doors aggravate this condition as the hot air rises to the top floor.

The following temperature differences may be taken for attic rooms:

Closed attic—metal or slate roofs	14 deg. F.
Closed attic—cement tile roofs	23 deg. F.
Cellars kept closed	32 deg. F.

Thus, the heat loss per hour estimated for a room having a floor 1½-in. thick over a cellar, assuming room heated to 70 deg. F., may be calculated as follows:

$$K = 1.4 \text{ both sides} \qquad C = 1$$

$$U = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{1.4} + \frac{1}{1.4} + \frac{1.5}{1}} = 0.3413 \text{ B.t.u. per hr. per sq. ft. per deg.}$$

Heat loss per hour = (0.3413)(70–32) = 13.0 B.t.u. per sq. ft. Heat loss from floors that are laid directly on the ground may be estimated on the assumption that the ground temperature is 50 deg. F. The loss per hour through 4 in. of concrete for an inside temperature of 65 deg. F. is

$$U = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{1.3} + \frac{4}{8}} = 0.8 \text{ B.t.u. per sq. ft. per deg.}$$

Heat loss per hour = (0.8)(65–50) = 12 B.t.u. per sq. ft.

7. Heat Loss by Infiltration.—Heat loss by infiltration is estimated in many cases by the number of air changes arbitrarily assumed. It is also estimated by measuring the periphery of the window casing, assuming a 1/32 or 1/16-in. crack, with the wind blowing at a certain velocity. This is largely dependent on the character and grade of the building construction. The results of these determinations are, at best, inaccurate and there is no reason for going into refinements of calculation beyond the limit of error of the assumptions.

Three methods are given for determining the infiltration loss: (1) Assume arbitrarily a number of complete air changes of cubic contents of the buildings or rooms; (2) assume a 1/16 or 1/32-in. crack all around the windows with a given wind velocity to determine the air change; and (3) assume the proper crack or opening 1/16 in. and determine the relation of this infiltration in the form of a ratio of square feet of glass to cubic contents.

TABLE 8.—RESULTS OF EXPERIMENTS ON AIR INFILTRATION

Velocity of outside air (miles per hr.)	Cubic feet per minute leakage through 14 ft. of crack, 1/16-in. clearance		Cubic feet per minute per foot of 1/16-in. crack per mile velocity
	Weather stripped	Ordinary sash	
6.0	1.0	12.0	0.143
9.1	1.6	19.0	0.148
9.5	1.65	20.0	0.147
9.6	1.75	19.6	0.148

For a wind velocity of 10 miles per hour, 1/16-in. crack will deliver about 90 cu. ft. per running foot of crack per hour (0.148 × 10 × 60 = 88.8), as shown in Table 8.

In Table 7 the air infiltration is calculated, assuming 0.147 cu. ft. per minute per running foot of 1/16-in. crack per mile velocity, the air velocity at 13 miles per hour, the air at 0 deg. F., or 0.086 lb. per cu. ft. (see Table 3), and specific heat at 0.24 B.t.u. (see Art. 3). The B.t.u. per hour per degree difference per running foot of crack = 60 min. × 13 mi. per hr. × 0.147 cu. ft. per min. per ft. per mile × 0.086 × 0.24 = 2.4 B.t.u. per deg. per ft., or 1.2 B.t.u. per deg. per ft. for 1/32-in. crack. Windows on only two sides of room should be figured as the draft will be outward on the leeward side.

TABLE 9.—TABLE OF ASSUMED AIR CHANGES

Halls	3 per hr.
Rooms of 1st floor	2 per hr.
Offices—stores	2 per hr.
Offices—2nd floor	1 per hr.
Factories—large areas	¾ per hr.
Garages	2 per hr.

TABLE 10.—RELATION OF AIR CHANGES TO CUBIC CONTENTS

Percentage of glass (sq. ft.) to cubic contents (cu. ft.)	2	2½	3½	4½	6	7	8	9
Air change per hour	⅜	½	¾	1	1¼	1½	1¾	2

Double the above amounts for rooms having doors to outside opened frequently, as on ground floors.

8. Heat Supplied by Persons, Lights, and Machinery.—The following allowances may be made for persons and lights when required, but as buildings have to be heated at times when these sources of heat may be absent, as Sundays, they should be made with care. It would probably be safer to omit them when figuring the radiation, as is generally done, and shut off some of the heating surface when these sources of heat are present. The heat given off by persons is not considered except in assembly halls. These halls are generally figured for 50 deg. F. in 0-deg. weather when the audience is not present.

TABLE 11

Man at rest	400 B.t.u. per hr.
Man at work	500 B.t.u. per hr.

Electric lamps: B.t.u. per hr. = watts per lamp × number × 3.415

Motors and machinery convert some of their energy into heat if located in the same room. Rubber and chocolate rolls and similar classes of machinery produce great quantities of heat.

9. Measurement of Flow of Fluids.—There are three fluids used in heating, for which pipe sizes have to be determined, viz., steam, water, and air. The power required for circulation and loss in head due to friction has to be known in determining the proper sizes of conduits. All fluids flowing in conduits obey the same laws and with corrections for density, the variables in the formulas are the same.

The potential head, or measured head, is the vertical distance measured from some base line to the center of the pipe at the point under consideration. In the measurement of the flow of gases, as air or steam, the pressure at the point of flow has to be taken into account in determining the density.

The general formula for all fluids flowing in pipes is

$$h = f \cdot \frac{lR}{A} \cdot \frac{V^2}{2g}$$

in which h = loss of head in friction; f = coefficient of friction, 0.02 for water (average) but it actually varies with the diameter of pipe and velocity; l = length in feet; $\frac{R}{A}$ = hydraulic radius, or the perimeter divided by the area; $2g = 64.34$; and V = velocity in feet per second.

For round pipes the formula reduces to

$$h = f \cdot \frac{l}{d} \cdot \frac{V^2}{2g}$$

The above formulas have been superseded by exponential formulas determined by plotting the values on logarithmic paper and determining the angle of inclination of the straight lines.

Diagram 1, by H. V. Carpenter, was published in "Power" Dec. 17, 1912. It gives steam discharge in pounds per minute, size of pipe, and drop in pressure per 100 ft., for sizes of pipe from 1 to 20 in. and is plotted from Unwin's or Babcock's formula, and verified by tests by R. C. Carpenter.

$$V = 16{,}050 \sqrt{\frac{Pd}{Ly\left(1 + \frac{3.6}{d}\right)}}$$

$$W = 87.5 \sqrt{\frac{Pyd^5}{L\left(1 + \frac{3.6}{d}\right)}}$$

in which V = velocity of the steam in feet per minute; P = drop in pressure in length L; d = diameter of pipe in inches; y = density of the steam in pounds per cubic foot; and W = weight of steam delivered in pounds per minute.

This chart is for high pressure steam. For a 3-in. pipe, the discharge is seen to be 33 lb. per min., with 210 lb. average absolute pressure and 0.30 lb. drop per 100 ft. of pipe. For any lower pressure as 80 lb., follow between the inclined lines as shown, obtaining a discharge of 21 lb. per min.

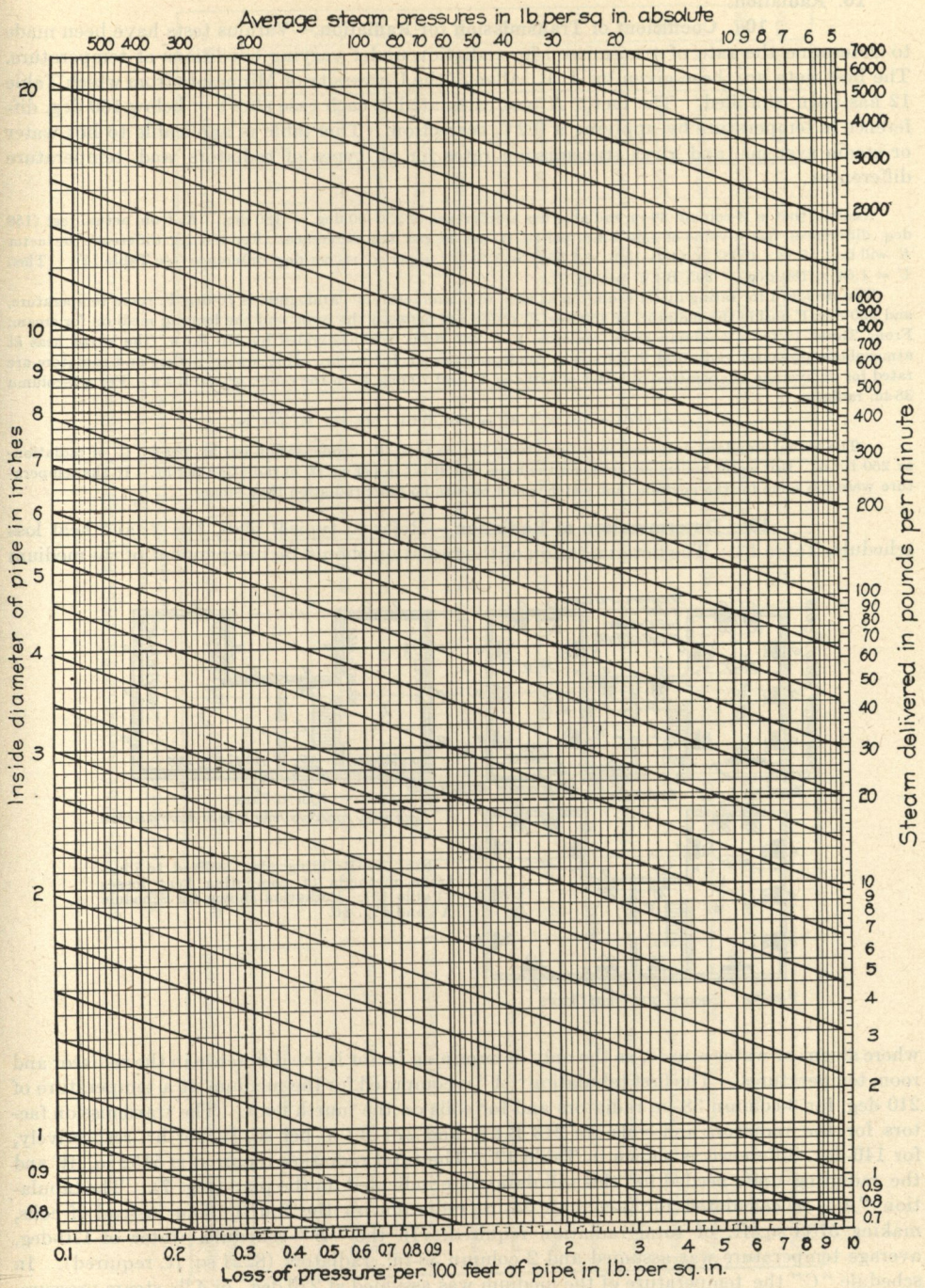


DIAGRAM 1.—Pipe capacities and pressure drop. High pressure steam.

10. Radiation.

10*a*. Coefficient of Transmission for Radiation.—Various tests have been made to determine the rate of transmisson for radiation under varying conditions of temperature. The best data are those given by J. R. Allen of the University of Minnesota from which Table 12 has been compiled. The factor K was calculated in each case above or below 150 deg. difference in temperature by applying a 0.2% correction. This table is applicable to hot water or steam systems, and gives transmission rates for all types of radiators and temperature differences.

Assume that a 3-column 38-in. radiator has a difference of 230–50 deg. = 180 deg. K, from actual test (150 deg. difference), has a value of 1.55 B.t.u. per sq. ft. per hr. per deg. difference. For 180 deg. difference the factor K will be $1.55 + \{ 0.002 \times (180-150) \times 1.55 \} = 1.64$ B.t.u. per sq. ft. per deg. difference (see Table 12). Then $U = 1.64 \times 180$ deg. = 295 B.t.u. per sq. ft.

The standard for rating direct radiation as used in manufacturers' catalogues, is 70-deg. F. room temperature, and 220 deg. F. inside the radiator, or 150 deg. F. difference between the room and the heating medium for steam. From Table 12 for a 3-column 38-in. radiator, U = 233 B.t.u. which, divided by 970 B.t.u. (the latent heat at atmospheric pressure) gives 0.24 lb. of steam condensed per sq. ft. per hr. Hot water boilers and radiators are rated for an average temperature of water of 170 deg. F. and 70 deg. F. in the room, or 150 B.t.u. For a 2-column 38-in. radiator

$$U = (170 - 70) \times 1.49 = 149 \text{ B.t.u. per sq. ft. per hr.}$$

The actual standard unit used in rating steam boilers is ¼-lb. condensation per hr. per sq. ft. of radiation or 250 B.t.u. Hot water boilers are rated on the basis of 150 B.t.u. per sq. ft. of radiation per hr. If the temperature were the same for the medium, hot water would require no more radiation than steam.

10*b*. Determination of Radiation.—Refer to typical plan, Fig. 7, and heat loss schedule, Table 13. The determination of the radiation should be independent of the medium

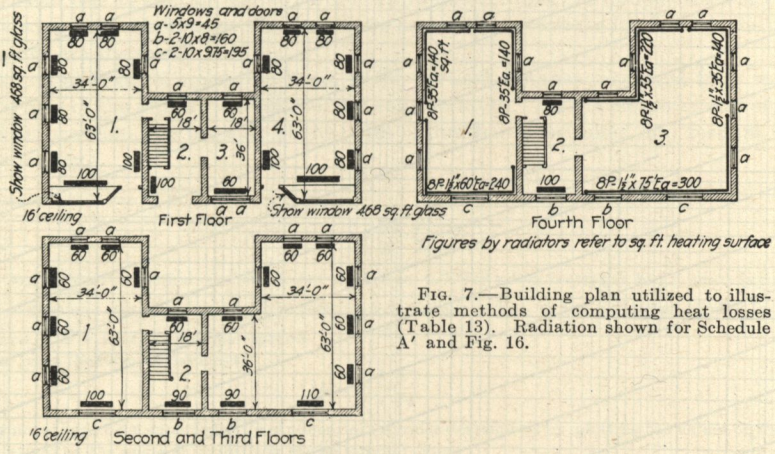


FIG. 7.—Building plan utilized to illustrate methods of computing heat losses (Table 13). Radiation shown for Schedule A′ and Fig. 16.

where steam or water is used, as the only determining factor is the difference in the radiator and room temperatures. The first tabulation "A" is computed for the medium at a temperature of 210 deg. for 3-column 38-in. radiators and for coils on the fourth floor. The transmission factors for the radiators and coils are 213 B.t.u. and 274 B.t.u. per sq. ft. per hr. respectively, for 140-deg. difference as shown in Table 12. The total radiation required is 5452 sq., ft. and the radiating units needed for this tabulation are indicated on the plan (Fig. 7). The tabulation "A'" is calculated for 3-column 38-in. radiators on the fourth floor instead of coils, making 5788 sq. ft. of total radiation required. In the "B" schedule, water of 170-deg. average temperature was assumed and 2 column 38-in,. radiators (8221 sq. ft. required). In schedule "C" the temperature of the medium was assumed at 220 deg., or 4 lb. steam pressure, difference of 150 deg (5300 sq. ft. required). If the heat losses are reduced to square feet of radiation at 0.25 lb. condensation (250 B.t.u.), there would be 4930 sq. ft.

Table 12.—Transmission Factors for Direct Surface

B.t.u. per square foot per hour { K is value per degree difference; U is value for total difference

Difference in temperature room and steam or water	80°		90°		100°		110°		120°		130°		140°		150°		160°		170°		180°		190°	
Type of radiation	K	U	K	U	K	U	K	U	K	U	K	U	K	U	K	U	K	U	K	U	K	U	K	U
Pipe coils	1.72	138	1.76	158	1.80	180	1.84	202	1.88	226	1.92	250	1.96	274	2.00	300	2.04	326	2.08	354	2.12	382	2.16	410
Wall radiator horizontal and 1 column 22 in.	1.68	134	1.72	155	1.76	176	1.794	197	1.83	220	1.87	243	1.91	267	1.95	293	1.99	318	2.03	345	2.07	373	2.11	401
Wall radiator vertical and 1 column 26 in.	1.63	130	1.67	150	1.71	171	1.75	193	1.79	215	1.82	237	1.86	260	1.90	285	1.94	310	1.98	337	2.01	362	2.05	390
1 column 32 in.	1.59	127	1.63	147	1.67	167	1.7	187	1.74	209	1.78	231	1.81	253	1.85	278	1.89	302	1.92	326	1.96	353	2.00	380
1 column 38 in.—2 column 22 in.	1.55	124	1.584	143	1.62	162	1.656	182	1.69	203	1.73	225	1.76	246	1.8	270	1.84	294	1.87	318	1.91	344	1.94	369
2 column 26 in.	1.51	121	1.54	139	1.58	158	1.61	177	1.64	197	1.68	218	1.72	241	1.75	263	1.79	286	1.82	309	1.86	335	1.89	359
2 column 32 in.—3 column 22 in.	1.46	117	1.50	135	1.53	153	1.56	172	1.60	192	1.63	212	1.67	234	1.70	255	1.73	277	1.77	301	1.80	324	1.84	350
2 column 38 in.—3 column 26 in.	1.425	114	1.455	131	1.485	149	1.515	167	1.55	186	1.59	207	1.62	226	1.65	248	1.71	274	1.75	297	1.77	319	1.815	345
3 column 32 in.—4 column 22 in.	1.38	110	1.41	127	1.44	144	1.47	162	1.5	180	1.54	200	1.57	220	1.60	240	1.63	261	1.66	282	1.70	306	1.73	329
3 column 38 in.—4 column 26 in.	1.33	106	1.36	122	1.40	140	1.43	157	1.46	175	1.49	194	1.52	213	1.55	233	1.58	253	1.61	274	1.64	295	1.67	317
4 column 32 in.	1.29	103	1.32	119	1.35	135	1.38	152	1.41	169	1.44	187	1.47	206	1.50	225	1.53	245	1.56	265	1.59	286	1.62	308
4 column 38 in.	1.25	100	1.28	115	1.31	131	1.33	146	1.36	163	1.39	181	1.42	199	1.45	217	1.48	237	1.51	257	1.54	277	1.57	298

TABLE 13

Floor	Room	Cubic contents (Fig. 7)	Heat losses								
			Glass			Wall			Roof		
			Area (sq. ft.)	Factor	B.t.u. (*G*)	Area (sq. ft.)	Factor	B.t.u. (*W*)	Area (sq. ft.)	Factor	B.t.u. (*R*)
1	1	34,272	738	90	66,420	1790	17.6	31,504	....	..	.....
	2	10,368	135	90	12,150	441	17.6	7,762	....	..	.....
	3	10,368	135	90	12,150	441	17.6	7,762	....	..	.....
	4	34,272	738	90	66,420	1790	17.6	31,504	....	..	.....
2	1	34,272	465	90	41,850	2050	17.6	36,080	....	..	.....
	2	10,368	205	90	18,450	371	17.6	6,530	....	..	.....
	3	44,640	670	90	60,300	2435	17.6	42,850	....	..	.....
3	Same	as for 2	...	..	.....	....	....	.....	....	..	.....
4	1	34,272	465	90	41,850	2050	17.6	36,080	2142	20	42,840
	2	10,368	205	90	18,450	371	17.6	6,530	648	20	12,960
	3	44,640	670	90	60,300	2435	17.6	42,850	2826	20	56,520

Floor	Room	B.t.u. loss	Steam or water: av. temp. 210°F., room temp. 70°F., diff. 140°F.			Water: av. temp. 170°F., room temp. 70°F., diff. 100°F.		Steam or water: av. temp. 220°F., room temp. 70°F., diff. 150°F.	
			Type of radiator and transmission factor	Sq. ft. of radiation required		Type of radiator and transmission factor	Sq. ft. of radiation required Schedule "B"	Type of radiator and transmission factor	Sq. ft. of radiation required Schedule "C"
				Schedule "A"	Schedule "A′"				
1	1	147,276	3-col. 38-in. (213)	691	691	2-col. 38-in. (150)	982	3-col. 38-in. (233)	632
	2	31,144	"	146	146	"	208	"	134
	3	25,528	"	120	120	"	171	"	110
	4	147,276	"	691	691	"	982	"	632
2	1	96,430	"	452	452	"	643	"	414
	2	32,445	"	153	153	"	217	"	140
	3	127,250	"	600	600	"	848	"	550
3	1	256,125	"	1205	1205	"	1708	"	1104
4	1	139,270	coil (274) (213) for schedule "A′"	510	654	"	929	"	600
	2	45,405	3-col. 38-in. (213)	213	213	"	303	"	195
	3	183,770	coil (274) (213) for schedule "A′"	671	863	"	1230	"	789
Total B.t.u.	..	1,231,919	.....	5452	5788	.....	8221	.....	5300

TABLE 13.—*Continued.*

Infiltration		Room temperature, 70°F.; outside temperature, −10°F.							
					Infiltration (alternate method)				
Percentage of glass to cubic contents	Number of air changes (Table 10)	Factor (0.075 × 0.24 × 80°)	Volume of air heated (cu. ft.)	B.t.u. (*I*)	Size of window and crack	Total length of crack	Factor Table 7	B.t.u. (*I'*)	Total B.t.u. (*G* + *W* + *R* + *I*)
2.2	0.5 ×2	1.44	34,272	49,352	Windows only on windward sides of bldg. (1/32-in. crack)				147,276
1.3	0.37×2	1.44	7,800	11,232					31,144
1.3	0.375	1.44	3,900	5,616					25,528
2.2	0.5 ×2	1.44	34,272	49,352					147,276
1.4	0.375	1.44	12,800	18,500	3—9×5 2—10×9.75	3×33 2×50	96	19,100	96,430
2.0	0.5	1.44	5,184	7,465	2—8×10	2×44	96	8,448	32,445
1.5	0.375	1.44	16,740	24,100	3—9×5 2—8×10 2—10×9.75	3×33 2×50 2×44	96	27,550	127,250
...	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	.....	256,125
1.4	0.375	1.44	12,850	18,500	.....	.....	..	.....	139,270
2.0	0.5	1.44	5,184	7,465	.....	.....	..	.....	45,405
1.5	0.375	1.44	16,740	24,100	.....	.....	..	.....	183,770
				Total B.t.u..	.....	.....	..	.....	1,231,919
				Sq. ft. for 250 B.t.u...	.....	.....	..	.....	4,930

Roof. (3-in. concrete, 1½-in. hung ceiling with air space)

$$U = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{1.3} + \frac{1}{4.2} + \frac{3}{8.3} + \frac{0.125}{0.4} + \frac{2}{0.93} + \frac{1.5}{8}} = 0.25$$

Heat loss per sq. ft. = 0.25 × 80 = 20 B.t.u.

Walls. (12-in. concrete, 2-in. hollow tile)

$$U = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{5.2} + \frac{1}{0.93} + \frac{1}{1.3} + \frac{1}{0.99} + \frac{12}{8.3}} = 0.222$$

Heat loss per sq. ft. = 0.222 × 80 = 17.6 B.t.u.

All these layouts would require the same grate, chimney, and a like amount of heating surface in the boiler although with widely varying quantities of direct radiation. These principles used in computing the schedules apply to all buildings and dwellings with heating surface directly connected to the boiler or heat source. Ready comparison may be made as to the actual effect of different assumptions on the ultimate solution.

The roof and wall construction are assumed and heat losses figured. The radiators marked on the plan (Fig. 7) are for the first condition of water or steam at 210 deg. F. and 70 deg. F. in the rooms, and −10 deg. F. outside. No allowance is made for exposure and the infiltration loss is calculated by two methods which show about 10% difference in results. This is well within the error of the assumptions.

It is always safe to increase the air change to at least 1 per hour where doors open directly out of doors. This was done in the example under consideration. The theory of air leakage would not hold under these conditions. It is also well to reduce the air change on the top floor, especially if elevator doors open into the room. These shafts create a natural draft tending to take the heated air from the lower floors overheating the top floor. The heat losses were determined regardless of the type of system or type of radiator, as they would be the same in any case.

10c. Radiators.—The heat losses of the building and rooms are compensated by radiators of various types. Radiators when placed directly in the rooms are known as direct radiators. When placed in a central location and supplied with air ducts, they are known as indirect radiators, the air being supplied either by a fan or by gravity circulation. Radiators with an out-door connection through the wall are known as direct indirect radiators.

Column Radiators.—These are built up of sections of various heights put together with screw or push nipples. The sections are known as leg and loop sections. Each screw nipple has two lugs which engage a mandril so that the sections and corresponding nipples which have right and left threads may be screwed together. Round paper gaskets are placed between the sections. The push nipples are machined and sections pressed together and through bolts are put in to hold the sections in place.

There are also special column radiators known as circular, corner, stairway, and hot closet. These may have extra high legs or be legless and supported on wall brackets.

Hot Water Radiators.—What are known as hot water radiators have a top connection tapped 1½ in. up to and including 3-column radiators. Four-column radiators are tapped 2 in. These openings are provided with bushings and plugs so as to provide connections of various sizes. The steam radiators have only a bottom connection and cannot be used on hot water systems due to air pockets in the top of each section. It is becoming customary to utilize hot water radiators for steam as better results are obtained due to the ease with which the pressure within the radiator is equalized on account of the top connection giving a better drainage and circulation, a practice to be commended. Some claim these radiators air bind when used on steam systems but if the air valve is placed low down on the end section and the radiator is properly connected, there should be no trouble. It also facilitates air removal through the return piping system when hot water radiators are used on a steam heating system.

Pressed Steel Radiators.—These are made of very light sheet steel, the sections being welded together, making them practically jointless. They weigh less than 2 lb. per sq. ft. of surface as against 7 lb. per sq. ft. for cast iron, and they are tested to 40-lb. pressure. These radiators should be built up with small circular elements so that higher pressures may be used with a minimum weight of metal and so that they will have maximum transmission capacity and good drainage.

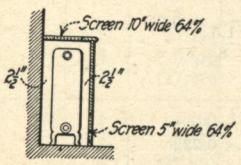


FIG. 8.—Enclosure for concealed direct radiation.

The weight of cast iron is a serious objection, especially for use in high buildings, as the weights have to be carefully determined. Where caisson work to bed rock is necessary, a reduction of 500,000 lb. weight in 100,000 sq. ft. of radiation may be made by the use of sheet metal instead of cast iron. This saving in weight is equivalent to an increase of 2500 sq. ft. or a space 50 × 50 ft. of floor space for the same foundation, estimating 200 lb. per sq. ft. load on the foundation.

A great deal has been said about corrosion in pressed steel radiators but if pure metal is used, and the radiators can be thoroughly drained, there is no danger. On hot water systems with the water unchanged, these radiators will last indefinitely as the water acts as a preservative to the iron when all air is removed.

The present sheet metal radiator with only 40-lb. test pressure is very limited in its use. Cast-iron radiators are tested to 80-lb. pressure and where higher pressures are desired, the metal thickness may be increased to stand any desired pressure. The weight and cost, however, is increased in proportion to the thickness.

Enclosed Radiators.—Enclosed radiators should be increased in amount of surface from 15 to 25 % depending upon the type of enclosure. From tests by Harding and Lichty at the University of Illinois, the effect of shelves was to reduce the transmission 5 % and, if very close to the top of the radiator, 10 %. Recessed radiators, 2½ in. from the wall on the back, were reduced 10 %. The most efficient type of enclosure, reducing the efficiency to 80 % of the open radiator, is shown in Fig. 8. Enclosed radiators, however, are to be avoided if possible.

10*d*. Pipe Coils.—Pipe coils are the most efficient form of heating surface and when constructed properly, are really better and less offensive looking than radiators, but high labor costs and the cheapness of cast-iron radiators have caused them to be superseded except in cases where long coils may be utilized, as in factory work, thus reducing the labor cost for connections.

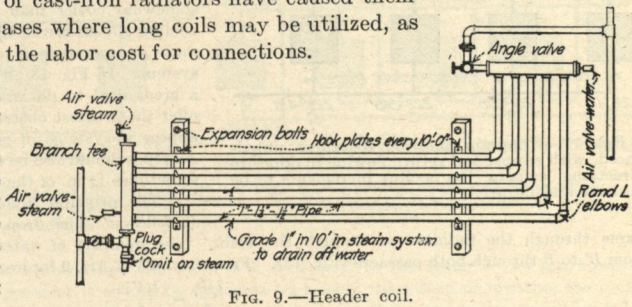


FIG. 9.—Header coil.

Two types of coils are shown in Figs. 9 and 10, one known as the header coil and the other as a return bend coil. The vertical pipes shown are for the purpose of taking up expansion. The same object may be accomplished by fitting the coil into a corner of the building, in which case the vertical pipes and headers become unnecessary. The shortest pipe in the spring piece should not be less than 3 ft. Return bend coils are used where breaks in the wall prevent the use of long coils. When the pipes are so short as to prevent the swing of the return bend in screwing them on the pipe, right and left threaded bends are used generally for coils under 10 ft. long. A box coil is made from a series of return bend coils screwed into two headers at the ends. With header and return bends an infinite number of combinations may be made in coil work.

Coils are often placed overhead in factory work to get them out of the way. Since heated air rises, the heat has to back down to about 6 ft. from the floor before the heating effect is obtained. This means the coils are in a temperature 10 or 15 deg. higher than the average room temperature. Where used on ground floors with open doors, it has been found difficult to get the first floor warm as most of the heat was dissipated in raising the temperature of the floor above. Where there are moving belts, and where high pressure steam is used with corresponding high temperatures, fairly good results are obtained.

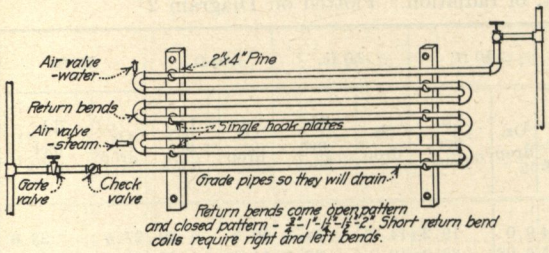


FIG. 10.—Return bend coil.

The best position for pipe coils is on the side wall under the windows. Wall radiators are often used as substitutes for coils and this was the purpose of their original design.

10*e*. Location of Radiators.—As a general rule, the best location for radiators is under the windows or against an outside wall. The radiator transmission will be greater if placed on the outside wall due to the cooling effect of the window accelerating the upward and downward flow along the ceiling from the radiator, thus increasing the velocity of the air and the heat transmission by convection.

Persons sitting at the window will feel a disagreeable draft due to the cooling effect of the cold glass surface on the downward current of air, but if a radiator is placed under the window, the heat by convection from the radiator neutralizes the downward air current over the cold glass, thus reducing the air movement materially in the room and therefore counteracting the draft. However, both of these effects are small as compared with the possible and probable errors of assumption in computing the heat losses and square feet of radiation.

11. Principles of Piping.—Figs. 11, 12, and 13 show diagrammatically principles that, if observed, will facilitate the solution of the problem of proper pipe sizes for steam and water systems and insure better results in operation.

Fig. 11 is the generally accepted method of laying out steam and water systems. Thermostatic traps or choke valves are absolutely necessary to insure operation when the piping is arranged in this manner. With the same work in each radiator and the same drop per unit of

distance, without the thermostatic traps the fluid would actually be required to flow up hill or from a lower to a higher pressure or temperature. There would be in any case, a retardation of the flow and this is frequently the cause of trouble on heating systems, although somewhat exaggerated in the sketch. By observing the above principles, errors of calculation and assumption are largely eliminated and adjustments of flow after installation are avoided.

In Figs. 12 and 13 all radiators are exactly the same distance from the source and the cooling increments are all in the same direction or added in the direction of the flow. Fig. 13 is a method applying to hot water systems whereby the radiators are shunted, although the radiators at A may be somewhat cooler than those at B; it is readily seen that all cooling effects are in the same direction, and as the average mean temperature is used, it will have little effect on the system. In Fig. 13 all tees are full size on the run which has a great deal to do with reducing friction, as reducing tees offer the greatest obstruction to flow. This defect does not appear in systems of steam and water with low velocities. All pipes should also be carefully reamed to remove the burr, as sometimes ¼ in. of the diameter is lost where the burr is left.

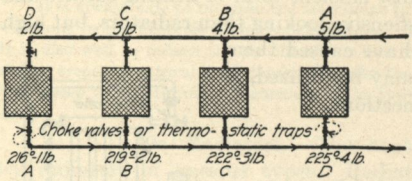


FIG. 11.—Diagram showing distances unbalanced, with supply and return flowing in opposite directions, causing the cooling increments to be positive and negative.

The principle involved in a shunt circuit may be stated as follows: The drop in pressure between B' and B is the same through the radiator as through the main. The quantity of water flowing from C to B' is the same as from B' to B through both passages (Fig. 13). From formula of Art. 9 for loss of head in friction

$$\frac{lV^2}{d} = \frac{l_1 V_1^2}{d_1}$$

in which lV and d refer to the main (BB'), and l_1, V_1, and d_1 to the shunt (BB'). This formula gives the relation between the velocities in the two circuits between B and B' and makes possible the solution of the proper size of pipes for any required flow.

12. Low Pressure Gravity Steam System.—The boiler on this type of system is connected to the radiators by a series of supply and return pipes, arranged so that the condensation flows

TABLE 14.—SIZE OF STEAM MAINS FOR 1 TO 3-LB. AVERAGE PRESSURE

Loss in pressure per 100 ft. run in oz. per sq. in. Steam in lb. per hr. Divide by condensation factor for sq. ft. of radiation. Plotted on Diagram 2

Velocity (ft. per sec.)	10 ft.		20 ft.		30 ft.		40 ft.		50 ft.		60 ft.		70 ft.	
Nominal pipe sizes (inches)	Oz. drop	Lb. per hour	Oz. drop	Lb. per hour	Oz. drop	Lb. per hour	Oz. drop	Lb. per hour	Oz. drop	Lb. per hour	Oz. drop	Lb. per hour	Oz. drop	Lb. per hour
¾	0.56	4.8	2.24	9.6	5.04	14.4	9.0	19.2	14.0	24.5	20.2	29	27.5	33.6
1	0.39	7.5	1.55	15.0	3.44	22.5	6.08	30.0	10.0	37.5	14.4	45	19.6	52.5
1¼	0.29	11.6	1.14	23.2	2.6	34.8	6.64	46.0	7.25	58.0	10.44	70	14.28	81.0
1½	0.205	16.8	0.82	33.6	1.8	50.4	3.28	67.0	5.0	84.0	7.2	100	9.8	118.0
2			0.48	60.0	1.09	90.0	1.92	120.0	3.14	150.0	4.36	180	5.88	210.0
2½			0.34	92.8	0.76	139.5	1.34	186.0	2.11	232.0	3.04	278	4.1	326.0
3			0.25	134.0	0.56	200.7	1.0	267.0	1.56	334.0	2.25	401	3.06	468.0
3½				182.0	0.48	274.0	0.82	365.0	1.32	456.0	1.9	547	2.56	638.0
4					0.37	357.0	0.66	476.0	1.04	595.0	1.5	714	2.04	833.0
4½							0.53	602.0	0.82	752.0	1.2	902	1.64	1,052.0
5							0.48	744.0	0.75	930.0	1.08	1,116	1.47	1,302.0
6							0.39	1,073.0	0.56	1,341.0	0.83	1,609	1.13	1,877.0
7							0.29	1,460.0	0.45	1,825.0	0.65	2,190	0.88	2,555.0
8							0.25	1,908.0	0.39	2,385.0	0.56	2,862	0.76	3,339.0
9									0.33	3,021.0	0.47	3,624	0.64	4,228.0
10									0.3	3,720.0	0.43	4,464	0.58	5,208.0
12									0.26	5,370.0	0.34	6,444	0.46	7,518.0
14											0.28	5,844	0.38	10,227.0
16											0.24	11,493	0.32	13,356.0

back to the boiler by gravity. Radiators may be connected with single pipe risers and runouts or with separate supply and returns, known as one and two pipe systems of piping.

All steam systems connected in direct circuit with the boiler require a head of water in the vertical return as it enters, to counterbalance the difference in pressure in the boiler and radiation due to the condensation of the steam and friction of the fluid. This necessitates a difference in level between the lowest dry return pipe of 2 ft. for each 1 lb. difference in pressure, or, in most cases, 3 or 4 ft. The greater the initial pressure carried, the greater the difference in level required. If the dry return is too close to the water line, water will collect in the horizontal pipe, and failing to return, will cause low water in the boiler. If the boiler pressure is lowered the necessary counter-

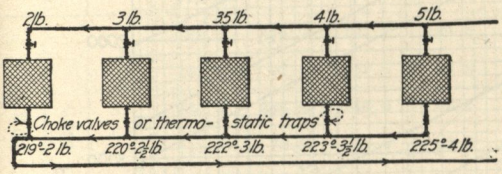


Fig. 12.—Method of balancing distances on piping for steam or water. Cooling increments are always positive, and return and supply flow in the same direction.

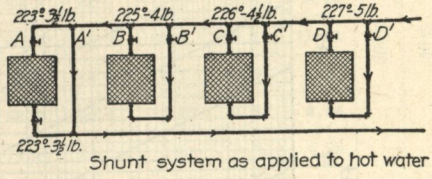


Fig. 13.—Cooling increments all positive, distances balanced.

balancing head in the return is also reduced and the water will flow back to the boiler. The job, however, should be designed so this will not occur or it should be remedied by raising the return or lowering the boiler. Returns are known as wet and dry. Those above the water line carry very wet steam and water, and those below the water line, known as wet returns, carry water only.

12a. Size of Steam Pipes.—Diagram 2 and Table 14 may be used for the steam lines on all low pressure steam systems from atmosphere to 10-lb. pressure. Their use will give somewhat greater capacity at the higher pressures due to the increase of the density of the steam. Diagram 2 shows two sets of lines, one dash and one full. The dash lines refer to the

Table 14 (continued)

80 ft.		90 ft.		100 ft.		110 ft.		120 ft.		130 ft.		1 oz. drop	
Oz. drop	Lb. per hour	Oz. drop	Lb. per hour	Oz. drop	Lb. per hour	Oz. drop	Lb. per hour	Oz. drop	Lb. per hour	Oz. drop	Lb. per hour	Velocity	Lb. per 1-oz. drop
36.0	38.4	45.4	43.2	56.0	48	.....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	13.2	6.2
25.6	60.0	32.4	67.5	40.0	75	.....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	15.8	12.0
18.6	92.8	23.5	104.4	29.0	116	.....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	18.5	22.0
12.8	134.4	16.2	160.2	20.0	168	24.8	184.8	....	.....	....	.....	22.5	37.2
7.68	240.0	10.17	270.0	12.6	300	15.25	330.0	....	.....	....	.....	29.0	86.0
5.4	371.0	6.8	418.5	8.4	465	10.21	511.5	....	.....	....	.....	34.5	160.0
4.0	534.0	5.06	602.1	6.24	669	7.55	735.9	....	.....	....	.....	40.0	267.0
3.3	730.0	4.21	821.0	5.3	912	6.4	1,003.0	7.6	1,094	9.0	1,186	43.4	400.0
2.64	952.0	3.33	1,071.0	4.16	1,190	5.04	1,309.0	5.9	1,428	7.03	1,547	49.0	585.0
2.13	1,203.0	2.7	1,354.0	3.3	1,504	4.22	1,654.0	4.8	1,804	5.6	1,955	54.8	830.0
1.92	1,488.0	2.43	1,674.0	3.0	1,861	3.68	2,046.0	4.32	2,232	5.12	2,418	58.0	1,080.0
1.47	2,146.0	1.87	2,414.0	2.3	2,682	2.78	2,950.0	3.32	3,218	3.84	3,486	66.0	1,770.0
1.15	2,920.0	1.46	3,285.0	1.8	3,650	2.19	4,015.0	2.60	4,380	3.04	4,745	74.3	2,712.0
1.0	3,816.0	1.25	4,293.0	1.55	4,770	1.86	5,247.0	2.25	5,724	3.62	6,201	80.0	3,810.0
0.84	4,833.0	1.06	5,437.0	1.3	6,041	1.58	6,646.0	1.87	7,249	2.2	7,853	87.4	5,280.0
0.76	5,952.0	0.96	6,696.0	1.2	7,440	1.44	8,184.0	1.71	8,928	2.0	9,672	92.0	6,870.0
0.61	8,592.0	0.76	9,666.0	0.95	10,740	1.15	11,814.0	1.36	12,888	1.6	13,962	103 0	11,100.0
0.50	11,688.0	0.64	13,149.0	0.784	14,610	0.95	16,071.0	1.14	17,532	1.34	18,993	113.0	16,590.0
0 42	15,264.0	0.53	17,172.0	0.66	19,080	0.80	20,988.0	0.96	22,986	1.12	24,894	123.0	23,490.0

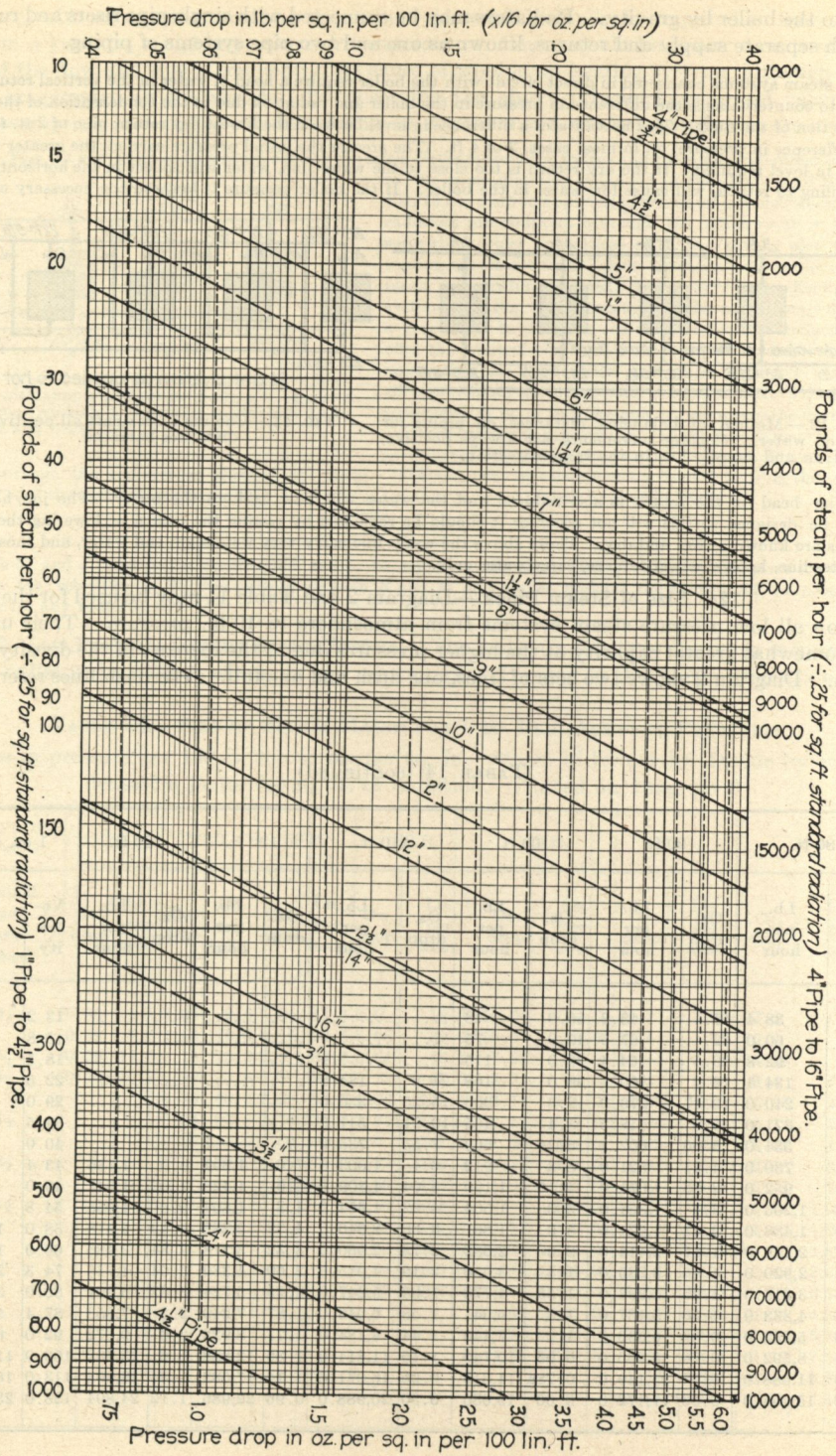


DIAGRAM 2.—Capacities and pressure drop in standard pipes. Steam under 5-lb. mean pressure.

TABLE 15.—TABLE OF NUMBER OF PIPES OF EQUIVALENT AREA, ALSO NUMBER HAVING THE SAME DISCHARGE FOR SAME LENGTH (¾ IN. TO 12 IN.)

Ratio Velocity	Ratio Area		¾	1″	1¼″	1½″	2″	2½″	3″	3½″	4″		
18 %	550 %	12	**1163.0**	**606.0**	**296.4**	**197.6**	**102.6**	**64.6**	**36.4**	**24.4**	**17.8**	200 %	50 %
			212.00	131.0	75.5	55.5	33.7	23.7	15.3	11.45	8.85		
20 %	500 %	10	**721.3**	**376.0**	**183.4**	**122.6**	**63.6**	**40.1**	**22.6**	**15.11**	**11.11**		
			148.0	91.4	52.6	38.8	23.5	16.3	10.7	8.0	6.2		
		9	**545.6**	**284.4**	**140.0**	**92.7**	**48.1**	**30.3**	**17.07**	**11.43**	**8.33**		
			118.0	72.8	42.0	30.8	19.0	13.14	8.5	6.35	4.93		
		8	**397.7**	**207.0**	**101.0**	**67.6**	**35.0**	**22.1**	**12.44**	**8.33**	**6.07**		
			94.0	58.0	33.5	24.6	15.0	10.5	6.8	5.07	3.93		
25 %	400 %	7	**283.9**	**148.0**	**72.1**	**48.2**	**25.0**	**15.8**	**8.9**	**5.95**	**4.33**	150 %	67½ %
			72.6	45.0	26.0	19.0	11.5	8.15	5.25	3.92	3.04		
		6	**192.8**	**100.5**	**49.0**	**32.8**	**17.1**	**10.7**	**6.03**	**4.04**	**2.94**		
			54.2	33.4	19.3	14.2	8.6	6.05	3.9	2.92	2.26		
		5	**118.7**	**61.9**	**30.2**	**20.2**	**10.5**	**6.6**	**3.72**	**2.5**	**1.81**		
			37.6	23.2	13.4	9.84	6.0	4.2	2.72	2.02	1.57		
33 %	300 %	4½	**88.14**	**46.0**	**22.4**	**15.0**	**7.8**	**4.9**	**2.76**	**1.86**	**1.34**		
			29.9	18.5	10.7	7.85	4.75	3.34	2.16	1.61	1.25		
		4	**65.5**	**34.15**	**16.64**	**11.13**	**5.8**	**3.63**	**2.05**	**1.37**	1	100 %	100 %
			23.9	14.75	8.5	6.25	3.8	2.7	1.59	1.3			
40 %	250 %	3½	**47.7**	**24.9**	**12.13**	**8.1**	**4.21**	**2.65**	**1.5**	1	12″	150 %	67.5 %
			18.5	11.43	6.6	4.85	2.94	2.06	1.33				
		3	**32.0**	**16.7**	**8.12**	**5.43**	**2.82**	**1.78**	1	**1.61**	10″		
			13.85	8.6	4.9	3.63	2.2	1.55		1.44			
50 %	200 %	2½	**18.0**	**9.4**	**4.57**	**3.06**	**1.6**	1	**1.32**	**2.13**	9″		
			8.96	5.54	3.2	2.35	1.42		1.25	1.8			
		2	**11.35**	**5.92**	**2.9**	**1.93**	1	**1.37**	**1.81**	**2.92**	8″		
			6.3	3.9	2.24	1.65		1.25	1.58	2.26			
67 %	150 %	1½	**5.9**	**3.07**	**1.5**	1	**1.4**	**1.92**	**2.54**	**4.1**	7″		
			3.8	2.4	1.36		1.29	1.62	2.03	2.9			
		1¼	**3.94**	**2.05**	1	**1.47**	**2.06**	**2.83**	**3.74**	**6.03**	6″		
			2.8	1.73		1.34	1.73	2.18	2.73	3.9			
		1″	**1.92**	1	**1.62**	**2.4**	**3.35**	**4.6**	**6.07**	**9.8**	5″		
			1.62		1.44	1.94	2.5	3.14	3.94	5.65			
		¾″	1	**1.35**	**2.24**	**3.22**	**4.51**	**6.19**	**8.18**	**13.2**	4½″		
				1.26	1.81	2.43	3.14	3.93	4.95	7.1			
			4½	5″	6″	7″	8″	9″	10″	12″		% Ratio Areas	% Ratio Velocity

lower scale for pounds of steam, and the full lines to the upper scale, which is 100 times the lower. The pressure drop per 100 lin. ft. is in pounds per square inch, and dotted lines show equal pressure drop in ounces per square inch per 100 lin. ft. In order to use this diagram and table it is necessary to know (1) the pounds of steam per hour (determined from the heat loss of the building plus 25 % divided by the latent heat of evaporation), and (2) the friction head (drop) in pounds per square inch per 100-ft. length (determined from the maximum allowable friction head divided by the length of the circuit). If the piping is arranged in the proper manner, the branch circuits may be designed from the equalization table, Table 15.

12*b*. Size of Return Pipes.—James A. Donnelly has deduced the sizes of return pipes for various systems as shown in Table 16. The theoretical size of return main in any steam heating system will depend upon (1) the allowable pressure drop in the main, usually

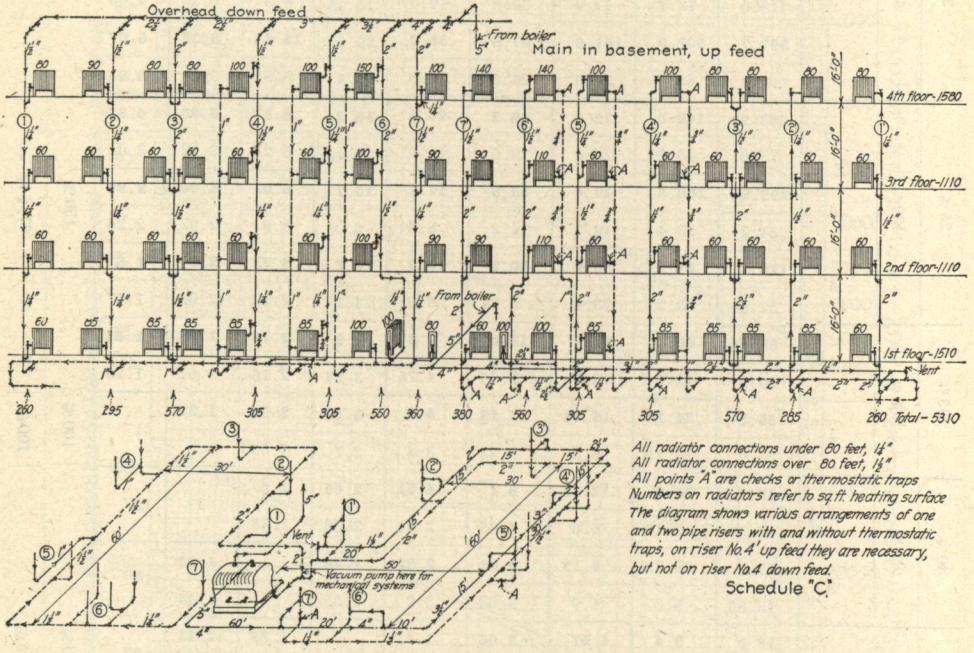


FIG. 14.—Low pressure steam, 1-lb. to 5-lb. pressure, 220 deg. F., Schedule "C" (Table 13), overhead down feed. one and two pipe; also one and two pipe up feed.

taken the same as for the steam main, and (2) upon whether the main is wet (run below the water line of boiler) or dry (run above the water line of the boiler). In the case of wet returns the main carries only water. Assuming the same friction pressure loss as for steam and with water flowing in the pipes, the weight will vary as the square root of the densities for same pressure drop and pipe size, or a wet return has 40 times the capacity of a dry return. These capacities are given in square feet of radiation at 0.3 lb. per sq. ft. per hr. as the condensation factor.

12*c*. Illustrative Problem.—Fig. 14 is a steam piping layout. One-half of the building has a one-pipe up feed and the other half an overhead down feed piping system. Practically 220 deg. average, or 2 to 5-lb. steam pressure is used. From Fig. 7 and Table 13, B.t.u. losses per hour = 1,232,000 + 25 % = 1,540,000 B.t.u. Divide by the latent heat of steam at 220 deg. F., or 965 B.t.u. $\frac{1,540,000}{965}$ = 1600 lb. of steam per hr. with 5310 sq. ft. of surface (schedule "C"). The length of the circuit on the overhead system will be 400 ft. The available drop in pressure in feet of water is equal to the difference between the height of the water line in the boiler and the height of the water in the return main—say 18 in. of water column, or, with 0.43 lb. per ft. = 1.5 × 0.43 = 0.645 lb. or 0.645 × 16 =

10.32 oz. $\frac{10.32 \times 100}{400}$ = 2.6-oz. drop in pressure per 100 ft.—say 2 oz. to be conservative. If there are 5300 sq. ft of surface, 1600 lb. of steam per hr., and 2 oz. drop per 100-ft. run, we have $\frac{1600}{5300}$ = 0.3 lb. of steam per sq. ft. of heating surface per hr. In Diagram 2, use the line of 2-oz. drop which shows a 5-in. main will be large enough If we assume 1-oz. drop per 100 ft., it will require a 6-in. line. Use a 5-in. line with covered risers, or a 6-in. line uncovered.

As the total heat loss of the building was used, the point of capacity for covered or uncovered pipes is not so important, as the greater radiation will reduce the pressure required to heat the building, increasing the drop and velocity.

The 5-in. main, being divided into 2 branches, Table 15 shows 1.8 of 4-in. pipes equal a 5-in. pipe and, therefore, two 4-in. branches will be a little larger than the 5-in. main. A 4 in. has 65.5 times the capacity of a ¾-in. pipe (Table 15). For one-halt the surface, or 2650 sq. ft., $\frac{2650}{65.5}$ = 40.6 ¾-in. pipes or $\frac{40.6 \times 100}{2650}$ = 1.53 of ¾-in. pipes per 100 sq. ft. of surface. Riser 1 has 260 sq. ft.; therefore, 2.60 × 1.52 = 4.0 of ¾-in. pipes, or one 1½-in. pipe (Table 15). Riser 2 has 305 sq. ft.; therefore, 3.05 × 1.52 = 4.7 of ¾-in. pipes, or one 1½-in. pipe, etc. For return pipe, use Table 16, Column F.

For one-pipe up feed system, double the riser connections in size as there will be water and steam flowing in opposite directions—that is, use 3.2 of ¾-in. pipes per 100 sq. ft. for riser and 1.52 of ¾-in. pipes per 100 sq. ft. for steam main.

Fig. 14 is intended to show diagrammatically different methods of connecting risers and radiators applicable to all steam, vacuum and vapor systems. The use of automatic vents and thermo-traps would form a vapor system when connected directly to boilers; with mechanical air removal and traps and pumps would be a vacuum system; with all appliances left off and directly to boiler would be a gravity return system.

Table 16.—Maximum Capacity of Steam and Return Mains for Runs of Moderate Length[1]

In this table the maximum capacity of return mains is given for various percentages of steam carried, as well as the steam rating of pipes from ½ to 16 in. These quantities are all figured for a drop in pressure of 1 oz. per sq. in., per 100 ft. in straight pipe and are expressed in sq. ft. of radiation with a condensation factor of 0.3 lb. per sq. ft. per hour.

Size (in.)	A Steam rating (Dry steam)	B Wet return (Column "A" × 40)	C 2½% steam (Column "A"×20)	D 5% steam (Column "A"×13½)	E 7½% steam (Column "A" × 10)	F 10% steam (Column "A" × 8)	G 15% steam (Column "A"×5.7)	H 20% steam (Column "A" × 4.4)
½	5	200	100	67.5	50	40	27	22
¾	20	800	400	270	200	160	114	88
1	40	1,600	800	540	400	320	228	176
1¼	75	3,000	1,500	1,012	750	600	427	330
1½	150	6,000	3,000	2,024	1,500	1,200	855	660
2	300	12,000	6,000	4,050	3,000	2,400	1,710	1,320
2½	500	20,000	10,000	6,750	5,000	4,000	2,850	2,200
3	900	36,000	18,000	12,150	9,000	7,200	5,130	3,960
3½	1,500	60,000	30,000	20,250	15,000	12,000	8,550	6,600
4	2,000	80,000	40,000	27,000	20,000	16,000	11,400	8,800
4½	2,800	.....	56,000	37,800	28,000	22,400	15,060	12,320
5	3,600	.....	.....	48,600	36,000	28,800	20,520	15,840
6	6,000	.....	.....	.....	60,000	48,000	34,200	26,400
7	9,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	72,000	51,300	39,600
8	13,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	74,000	57,200
9	18,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	79,200
10	23,000							
12	37,000							
14	55,000							
16	78,000							

[1] By James A. Donnelly.

Column "A," steam rating in standard direct radiation for piping within buildings for all classes of systems.

Column "B," rating for wet return main of a gravity system.

Column "C," rating for main return of the positive differential system.

Column "D," rating for the main return when it is above the water line in a dry return gravity system.

Column "E," rating for the branch returns of the positive differential system, and for the branch returns that are above the water line in a wet return gravi y system.

Column "F," rating for the branch returns of a dry return gravity system.

Columns "G" and "H," rating for gravity systems where the returns have unusual condensing capacity and for the returns in vacuum systems where jet water is used.

If it is desired to apportion the sizes more accurately, follow each circuit and branch with the distances, reading the drops from the discharge on Diagram 2. The sum of the drops for flow on all circuits, drawing a line from boiler through the radiator and back, should all equal the same total sum of 2-oz. drop per 100 ft. or a total of 8 oz. All risers and mains should be dripped and checks or thermostatic traps placed at points marked "A" in Fig. 14.

13. Forced Hot Water System.—Diagram 3 is the result of a comparison of more than seven friction formulas published by the writer in "Power" July 9, 1912. The average seemed to agree nearest to William and Hazen's formula:

$$H = 0.00037l \frac{(V)^{1.85}}{(d)^{1.166}}$$

H = friction head, feet of water.
l = length in feet.
V = velocity, in feet per second.
d = diameter of pipe, in feet.

If all units are equidistant from the source in the layout of any piping system, the length in the formula may be disregarded as the distances are balanced.

In any case, no matter how complicated the piping system, the head through all circuits and fluid passages will be the same, and the velocity of the flows will adjust itself accordingly. It often occurs that with some layouts the problem becomes indeterminate, and these constructions should be avoided by reducing to a minimum the number of passages for the fluid. Effort should be made to avoid complicated systems requiring accurate determination of the drop and to so plan the circuits that they will give the proportional flow required for each branch, with a minimum of computation.

13*a*. Pumps for Forced Hot Water Systems.—On large plants two pumps should be used, one electric and one steam driven. If these pumps have a rating for the total capacity of the system, they should be placed in series; if the rated capacity is ½ of the maximum or less, they should be placed in parallel.

The pumps should be double suction with hollow impeller, preferably of brass or bronze, with water packed bearings.

$$\frac{\text{B. t. u. per hr.} \times 7.5}{\text{Temp. drop} \times 60 \text{ min.} \times \text{wt. per cu. ft. at mean temp.}} = \text{gallons per min., pump capacity}$$

$$\frac{\text{Gal., per min.} \times h \times 8.3 \text{ lb.}}{33{,}000 \times \text{eff. (50 to 70 \%)}} = \text{brake horsepower of prime mover}$$

in which h = total friction head plus safety factor in feet.

After calculation of required quantities, the nearest size frame built by the manufacturer should be determined and the layout adjusted accordingly.

The curves of these pumps are such that when the head reaches the maximum point, the discharge falls off to nothing at the rated speed, or the discharge increases to a certain point and cannot be increased except by an increase in speed.

If the friction on the piping for a certain capacity is greater than the rated head on the pump, the discharge will be reduced. If the friction is less, the discharge will increase until there is a balance and the motor is apt to overload due to the increased horsepower.

When the head on the gages shows the same as the rated head of the pump, the pump may not be delivering the water. There are a large number of installations where the water delivered is not even near the capacity of the pump. It is good practice when using motor driven pumps in places where they receive little attention, to specify a Cutler Hammer overload release so the motor will be thrown out of circuit automatically when overloaded.

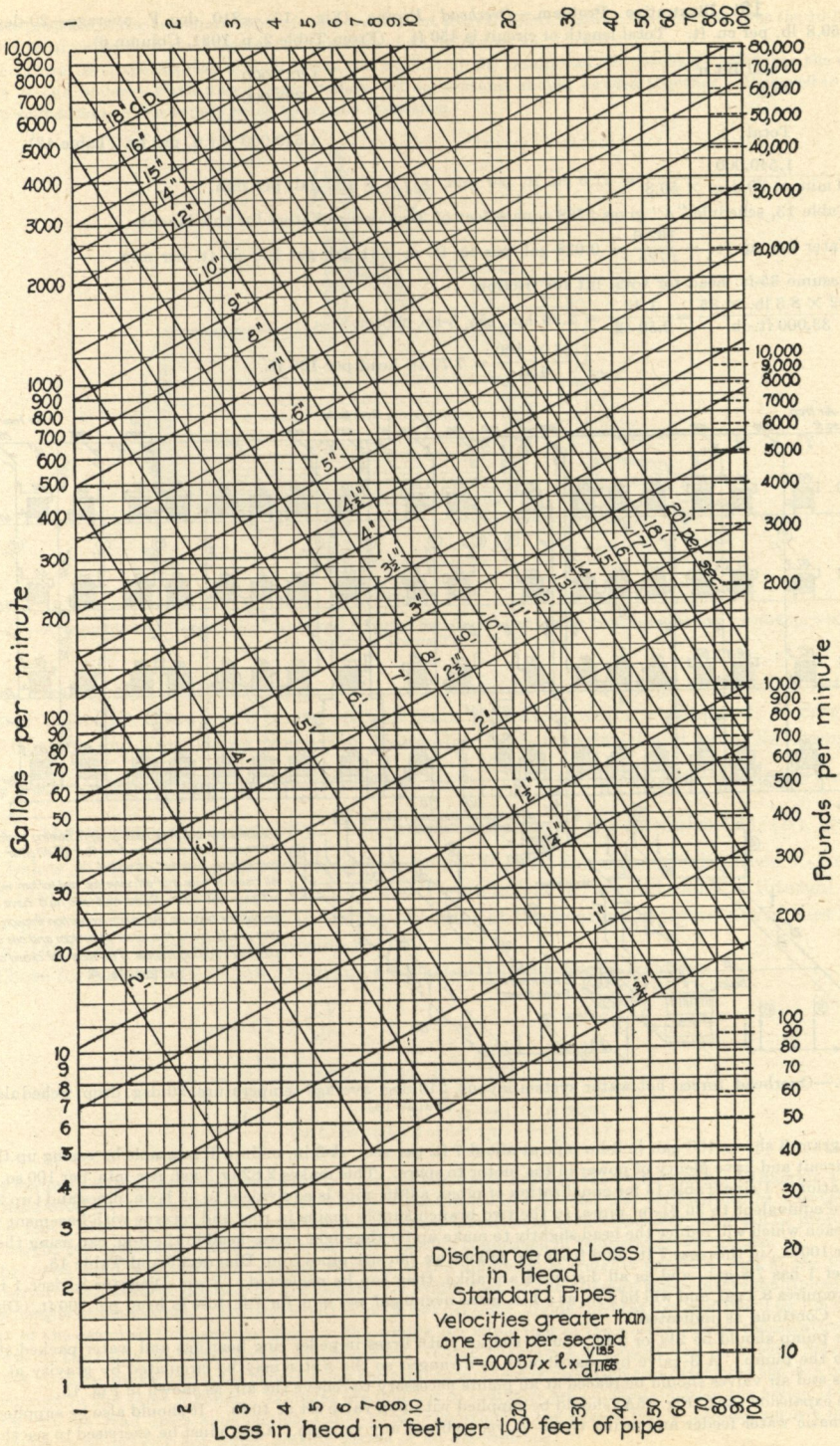

Gallons per minute
Pounds per minute
Loss in head in feet per 100 feet of pipe
Discharge and Loss in Head Standard Pipes
Velocities greater than one foot per second
H=.00037 x ℓ x V^1.85 / d^1.165

Diagram 3.

13*b*. Illustrative Problem.—*Overhead Piping* (Fig. 15).—210 deg. F. average—20-deg. drop. W = 59.8 lb. per cu. ft. Total length of circuit is 450 ft. (From Table 2, p. 1081, Column 6).

Total B.t.u.	1,232,000
25%	308,000
Total	1,540,000 B.t.u. per hr. (Table 13)

$$\frac{1{,}540{,}000}{60 \text{ min.} \times 20 \text{ deg.} \times 59.8} = 21.5 \text{ cu. ft. per min.} \times 7.5 = 162 \text{ gal. per min.}$$

Table 13, schedule "A" gives 5788 square feet of 3-column radiators for this layout.

$$\text{Water per sq. ft.} = \frac{162.0}{5725} = 0.028 \text{ gal. per sq. ft. or } 2.81 \text{ gal. per 100 sq. ft. per min.}$$

Assume 35-ft. head for total lift for friction.

$$\frac{162 \times 8.3 \text{ lb.} \times 35}{33{,}000 \text{ ft.-lb.}} = \frac{1.43}{0.50 \text{ eff.}} = 2.86 \text{ hp., say 3-hp. motor.}$$

$$\frac{35 \times 100}{450} = 7.77 \text{ ft. head per 100 ft.}$$

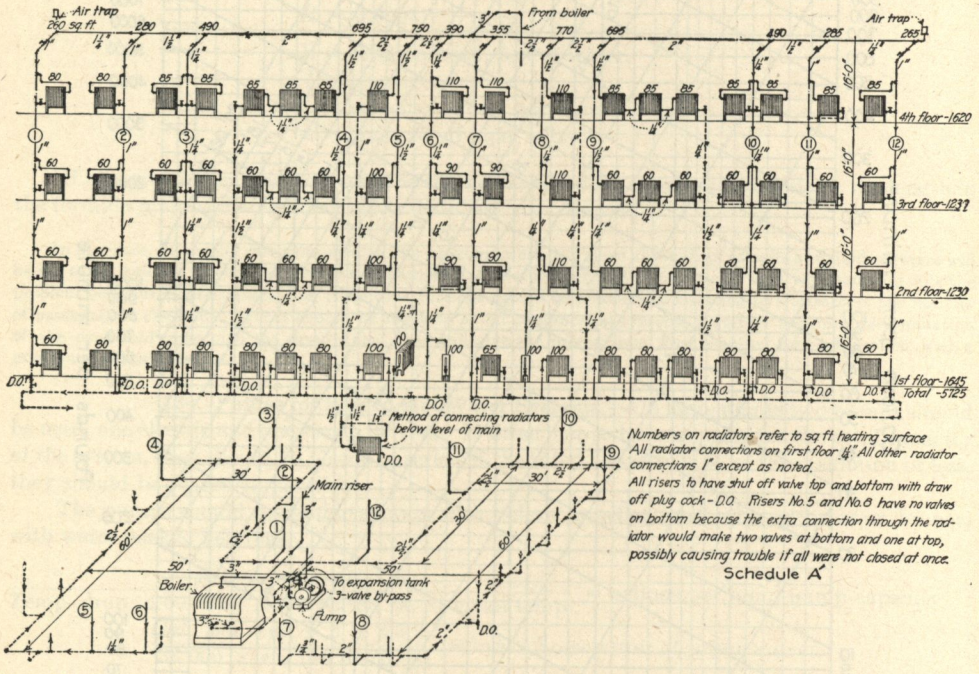


FIG. 15.—Overhead forced hot water system layout, 210 deg. average temperature, 20 deg. drop, Schedule "A", (Table 13).

Diagram 3 shows 160 gal. in 3-in. pipe at about 7 ft. per sec. A 3-in. main will be ample by easing up the rest of the circuit and have plenty of power in the motor to spare. This makes 2.82 or 3 gal. per min. per 100 sq. ft. for the radiation. Using Table 15 for equalization of pipes, a 3-in. pipe is equivalent to 32 ¾-in. pipes and two 2½-in. pipes are equivalent to 36 ¾-in. pipes, so the two branch supply mains in roof and returns with basement will be 2½ in. each which will reduce the head slightly to make up for the slight excess head in the 3-in. cap using the same drop per 100 ft., in this case 7 ft., and from the gallons we can size pipes from Diagram 3 and Table 15.

Riser 1 has 7.8 gal., and as all distances are alike, they can be neglected. From Diagram 3, riser 1 is 1 in. Riser 2 requires 8.4 gal. and will be 1 in. as a 1 in. gives over 9 gal. per min. for 7 ft. loss in head per 100 ft. (Diagram 3), etc. Continue as indicated.

The pump should be 2½ or 3-in. double suction with brass impeller ring bearings and water packed stuffing boxes on the pump. A 3-valve by-pass should be arranged so the water may be circulated by gravity at times. Air traps and air valves should be placed at all points necessary to relieve the air, as shown in Fig. 15.

The expansion tank (Fig. 15A) should be supplied with pop valve set at 10 lb. It should also be supplied with an automatic water feeder and swing check valve, to break any vacuum. Care must be exercised to see that the

city water pressure to the automatic water feeder is sufficient to overcome the static head of 70 ft. plus the 10-lb. pop valve or a total pressure in the basement in this case of 45 lb. per sq. in.

The return from the heating system forms the suction of the pump and the discharge is led into the return openings of the boiler. With down draft boilers, all connections should be tied together. It is well to make a double connection to the supply so as to reduce resistance.

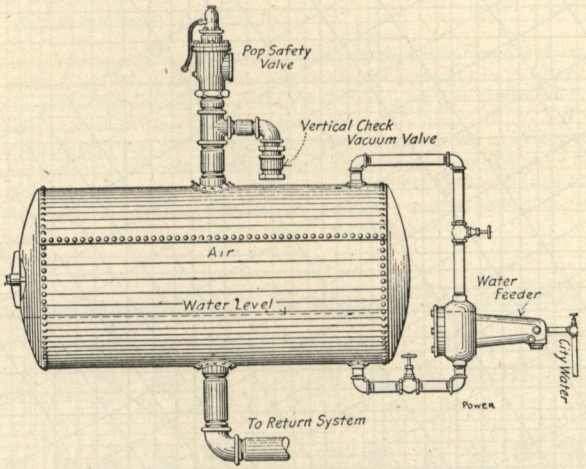


FIG. 15A.—Arrangement of expansion tank and fixtures for closed hot water heating systems operating with temperature above 210 deg. F.

14. Gravity Hot Water Heating.—The same formulas for discharge of pipes do not hold for lower velocities than 2 or 3 ft. per sec., as occur in gravity water heating. I. V. Serginsky in the Heating and Ventilating Magazine, November 1913, translated and gave the formulas of Dr. R. Biel. There are two critical velocities: $V_1 = \frac{0.158}{d}$, the lower critical velocity; and $V_2 = \frac{1.382}{\sqrt{d}}$, the upper critical velocity. The proper selection of the formulas (*A*), (*B*), and (*C*) given below is made, using (*A*) for velocities below V_1, (*B*) for velocities between V_1 and V_2, and (*C*) for velocities above V_2. Both V_1 and V_2 are in feet per second and d = internal diameter of pipe in inches. h = head in inches of water at the average temperature of that in the system (for head in feet of water divide by 12).

These formulas from which Diagram 4 was constructed, are as follows:

$$h = 0.0111 \frac{LV}{d^2} \qquad (A)$$

$$h = \frac{LV^2}{d}(0.1757)\left(0.33 + \frac{0.226}{V\sqrt{d}}\right) \qquad (B)$$

$$h = \frac{LV^2}{d}(0.1757)\left(0.12 + \frac{0.226}{\sqrt{d}} + \frac{0.288}{V\sqrt{d}}\right) \qquad (C)$$

As various temperatures and heights may occur in hot water heating, the writer arranged Diagram 4 to read in feet head drop per 100-ft. length of standard pipe. The discharge is in cubic feet per hour for the average weight per cubic foot. The chart is universal for any temperature condition as the feet head of water will be proportional to the weight per cubic foot. This is not true where specific conditions of temperature are named.

The total head available for gravity heating is the difference in weights per cubic foot at the final and initial water temperatures divided by the weight per cubic foot at the average temperature multiplied by the average height of the system. To determine the cubic feet per hour, divide the heat loss multiplied by 125% by the product of the assumed temperature drop by the weight per cubic foot at the average water temperature. The result will be the cubic discharge for the whole system. Using Diagram 4, the main may be directly determined. For other circuits, divide the total cubic feet by the total square feet of radiation and determine the size for subsidiary circuits in the same manner. If mains are laid out so radiators are equidistant from the boiler, the rest of the sizes can be read from equalization Table 15 in proportion to the square feet of heating surface installed. This applies to all gravity hot water heating plants of all descriptions.

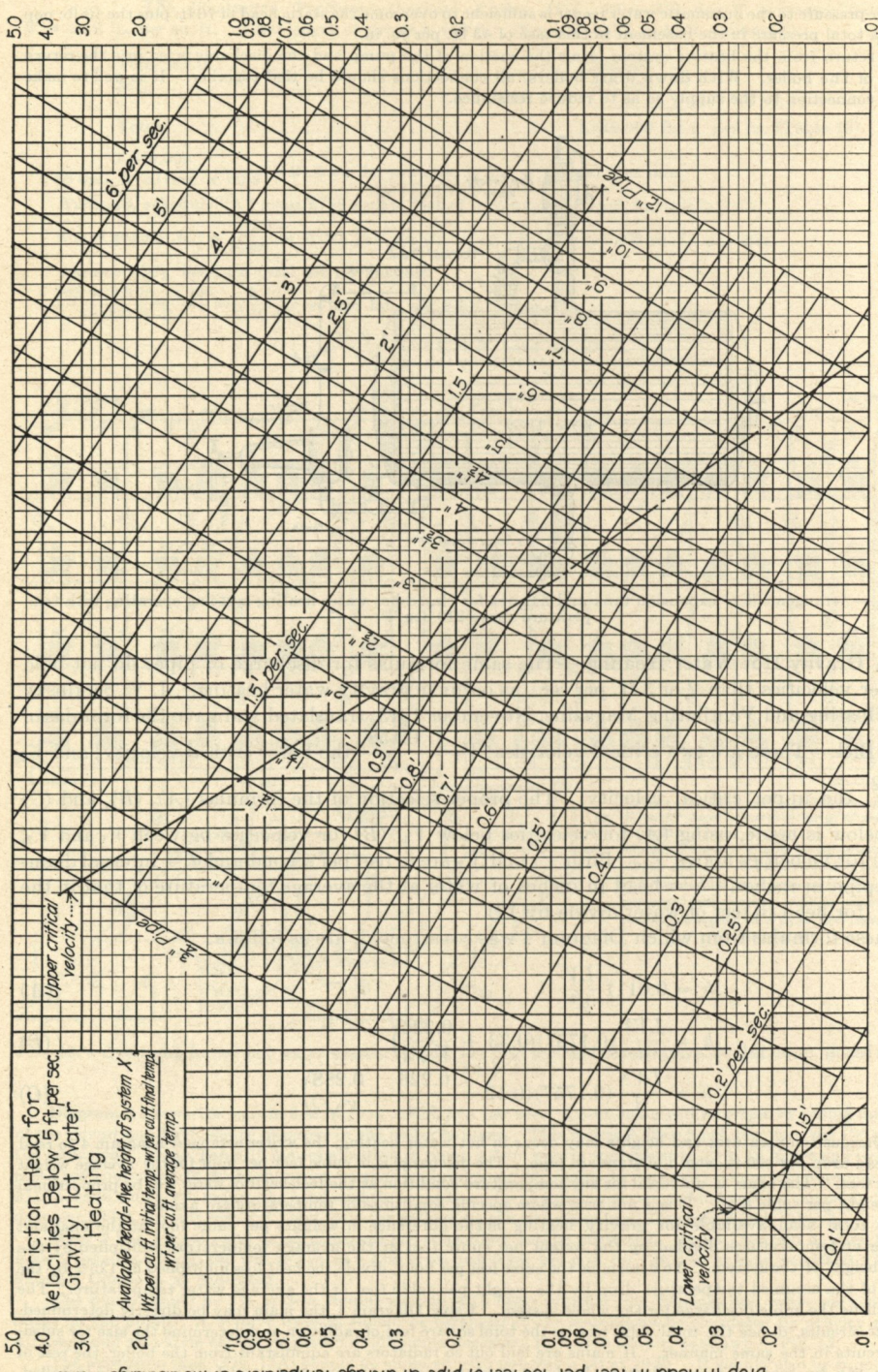

Friction Head for Velocities Below 5 ft. per sec. Gravity Hot Water Heating
Available head = Ave. height of system X (Wt. per cu. ft. init. temp. − wt. per cu. ft. final temp.) / wt. per cu. ft. average temp.
Upper critical velocity
Lower critical velocity
Drop in head in feet per 100 feet of pipe at average temperature of the discharge water
Cubic feet of water = B.t.u. per hour / Average weight of water X temperature drop

DIAGRAM 4.

Table 15 is an equalization table based on the friction formula, p. 1106, used for Diagram 3. Tests give higher values for the smaller size pipes, so there is a safeguard of about 10% where the larger size pipes are in terms of the smaller. The heavy face figures are the number of pipes of equivalent area; the light face figures, the number with the same drop in friction head for the same discharge per unit of time. The heavy lines drawn diagonally and figures on the margin give the ratio on area increase for the number of smaller pipes and also the ratio of the decrease in velocity.

All water systems with a temperature over 180 deg. maximum should be closed systems with a pop valve set at least 5 lb. above the pressure corresponding to the maximum temperature, *i.e.*, 220 deg. requires a 10-lb. pop valve. All water systems below 180 deg. maximum temperature may be open systems, but it will be found that all hot water systems circulate better under some pressure.

Objection has been made to closed water systems as being dangerous due to likelihood of explosion. This is erroneous provided proper safety valves are used. There is just as much danger of blowing all the water out of the open system and cracking the cast-iron boiler if cold water enters, as there is from a possible rupture from a water temperature of 220 deg. with a proper safety valve. *Safety valves on all heating systems should be proportioned to the grate area of the boiler as this is the source of the maximum available energy.*

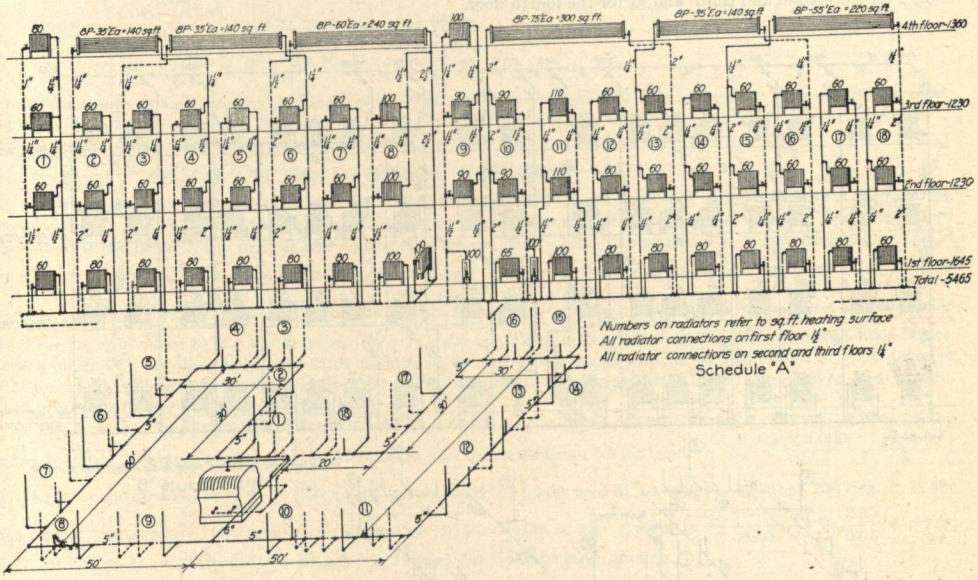


FIG. 16.—Gravity hot water heating system layout, 210 deg. average temperature, 30 deg. drop, shunt system, single main in basement.

14*a*. Illustrative Problem.—*Closed Gravity Hot Water System.*—Fig. 16 is a layout for a gravity hot water system for the same problem as Fig. 15 with the main below, all risers shunted, and coils on the fourth floor. Water is taken at 210 deg. average temperature with 30-deg. drop. This will have to be a closed system with the expansion tank of the same type as the forced hot water system (Figs. 15 and 15*A*). This will give a maximum temperature in the system of 225 deg. or the same as 5-lb. steam, and requires a 10-lb. pop valve on the expansion tank.

Heat loss plus 25% as before = 1,540,000 B.t.u. (Table 13)

Average height of system—schedule "A," Table 13.

4th fl. $1360 \times 55 = 74{,}800$
3rd fl. $1230 \times 40 = 49{,}200$
2nd fl. $1230 \times 20 = 24{,}600$
1st fl. $\frac{1645}{5465} \times 8 = \frac{13{,}160}{161{,}760}$

$$\text{Average height} = \frac{161{,}760}{5465} = 29.6 \text{ ft., say } 30 \text{ ft.}$$

Heating surface = 5465 sq. ft., schedule "A," Table 13.

Length of main = 300 ft. on basement ceiling.

From Table 2, p. 1081, Column 6, W at 210 deg. F. average temperature = 59.88 lb., at 225 deg. F. = 59.5 lb., and at 195 deg. F. = 60.24 lb.

$$\frac{1{,}540{,}000}{30 \times 59.88} = 860 \text{ cu. ft. per hr.}$$

$$\frac{100 \times 860}{5465} = 15.73 \text{ cu. ft. per hr. per 100 sq. ft. of surface.}$$

$$\text{Head} = \frac{60.24 - 59.5}{59.88} \times 30 \text{ ft.} = 0.371 \text{ ft. of water.}$$

$$\frac{0.371 \times 100}{300} = 0.1236 \text{ ft. drop per 100 ft. of main; the size of one pipe necessary is 6 in.}$$

From Diagram 4, with a drop of 0.1236 ft. per 100 ft. and a discharge of 862 cu. ft. per hr., this figures a 6-in. main because the distance is shorter and the drop is greater than in Fig. 17.

Each of the two branch mains should be (from Table 15) two 5 in. as 1.62 of 5-in. mains equal one 6-in. main.

In this system each riser and radiator is connected directly off the main and the power of circulation is derived from the cooling of the radiators. The connection practically increases the size of the main. The head will have to be decreased through the risers and radiators as the temperature falls along the line; there will be only a small part of the drop in temperature through any radiator. We have for the main 0.1277 ft. drop per 100-ft. and a 6-in. dividing into two 5-in. branches. In this method there are no reducing fittings and every temperature increment is added and none are minus so the velocity will be greater with less friction from fittings reducing on the run. One 6-in. main is equivalent to 193 ¾-in. pipes (see Table 15). With 5500 ft. surface take 1½ times for the first floor, 1 for the second and third, and ¾ for the fourth floor.

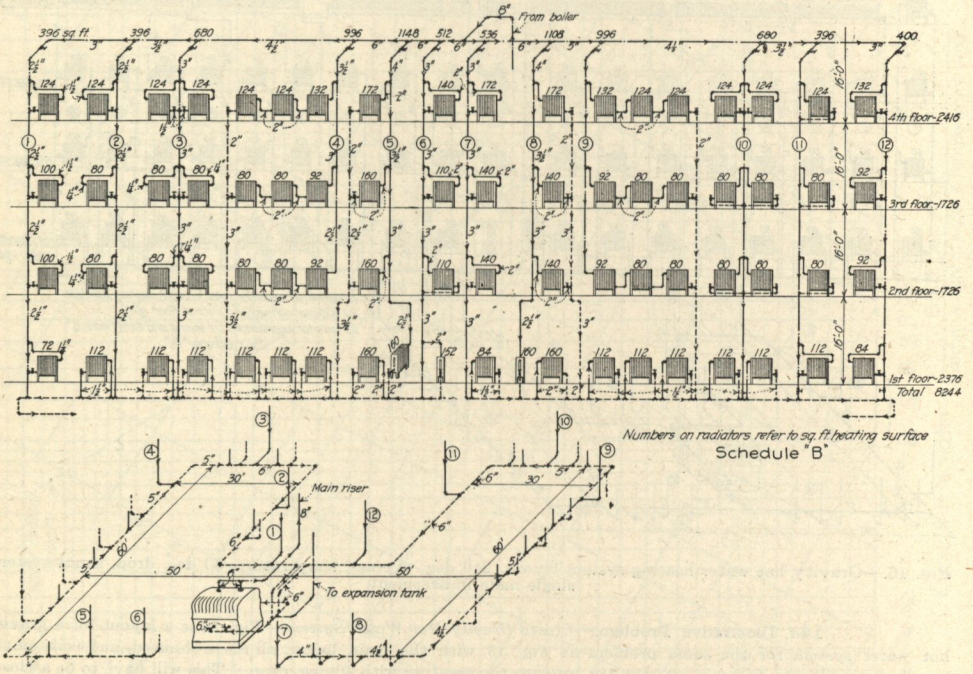


Fig. 17.—Overhead gravity hot water open tank system layout, 170 deg. average temperature, 25 deg. drop.

For first floor:

$$\frac{193 \times 1.5}{5500} = 0.0527 \text{ ¾-in. pipes per sq. ft. of radiation} = 5.27 \text{ ¾-in. pipes per 100 sq. ft. or from Table 15,}$$

equivalent to a 1½-in. pipe per 100 sq. ft. of radiation.

For second and third floors:

$$\frac{193 \times 1}{5500} = 0.0351 \text{ ¾-in. pipes per sq. ft. of radiation} = 3.51 \text{ ¾-in. pipes per 100 sq. ft. or, from Table 15,}$$

equivalent to a 1¼-in. pipe per 100 sq. ft. of radiation.

For fourth floor:

$$\frac{193 \times 0.75}{5500} = 0.0263 \text{ ¾-in. pipes per sq. ft. of radiation} = 2.63 \text{ ¾-in. pipes per 100 sq. ft. or, from Table 15,}$$

equivalent to a 1¼-in. pipe per 100 sq. ft. of radiation. From the above and the sketch, the pipe sizes may be easily calculated.

Gravity Hot Water Open Tank System (Fig. 17).—Gravity hot water overhead system 170 deg. F. average temperature water—25-deg. drop. Heat loss as before plus 25% = 1,540,000 B.t.u. (Table 13).

Heating surface = 8244 sq. ft.
Total length circuit = 450 ft.
Outboard temperature water = 183 deg.: $W = 60.52$
Return temperature water = 158 deg.: $W = 61.04$
W at 170 deg. F. av. temp. = 60.8 (Table 2, Column 6)
Average height of system:

4th floor	2416×55	= 132,900
3rd floor	1726×40	= 69,000
2nd floor	1726×20	= 34,500
1st floor	2376×8	= 19,000
Total	8244 sq. ft.	= 255,400

$$\text{Average height} = \frac{255{,}400}{8244} = 31 \text{ ft.}$$

Cubic feet per hour per square feet

$$\frac{1{,}540{,}000}{25 \times 60.8} = 1015 \text{ cu. ft. per hr.}$$

$$\frac{100 \times 1015}{8250} = 12.3 \text{ cu. ft. per hr. per 100 sq. ft. of surface.}$$

$$\text{Head} = \frac{61.04 - 60.52}{60.8} \times 31 \text{ ft.} = 0.265 \text{ ft. of water.}$$

$$\frac{0.265 \times 100}{450} = 0.0588 \text{ ft. drop per 100 ft. of main.}$$

From Diagram 4 with a drop of 0.0588 ft. per 100 ft. and a discharge of 1015 cu. ft. per hr., the size of one pipe necessary is 8 in.

From Table 15 an 8-in. main is equivalent to 397.7 of ¾-in. pipes.

$$\frac{397.7 \times 100}{8250} = 4.82 \text{ of } \tfrac{3}{4}\text{-in. pipes per 100 sq. ft. of radiation.}$$

As every radiator is equidistant from the boiler, in using Table 15 we have 4.82 of ¾-in. pipes for each 100 sq. ft. of surface. By following the diagram and adding up the number of ¾-in. pipes necessary for the required radiation in the branch, the nearest size can be found from Table 15. The square feet of radiation are indicated at the top of each riser. Riser 3 has 680 sq. ft. surface. $\frac{680 \times 4.82}{100} = 32.6$ of ¾-in. pipes. From Table 15 these are equivalent to one 3-in. pipe. Riser 4 has 996 sq. ft. surface. $\frac{996 \times 4.82}{100} = 48$ of ¾-in. pipes. From Table 15 these are equivalent to one 3½-in. pipe. Where a size is a little small in one circuit, make the next a little larger. These pipes may also be sized in the same manner as for forced hot water heating by assuming the same drop per 100 feet. and the cubic feet of water per 100 sq. ft. of surface, or the quantity 0.0588 ft. per 100 ft. and 12.3 cu. ft. per 100 sq. ft. per hour, using Diagram 4.

The expansion tanks should be set at least 5 ft. above overhead main and connected to the return of boiler by a 1½-in. pipe. There is a total of about 9000 sq. ft. and with a factor of 1.5 pints per sq. ft., $\frac{1.5 \times 9000}{8} = \frac{13{,}500}{8} =$ 1700 gal. in the system, or $\frac{1700}{7.5} = 230$ cu. ft. Assuming the water cold at 70 deg. F., and that 230 deg. F. is the maximum temperature, the percentage expansion of the water in the system is $\frac{62.3 - 59.37}{62.3} = \frac{2.93}{62.3} = 4.7\%$. 4.7% of 230 cu. ft. = 10.8 cu. ft. = 81 gal. A 100-gal. tank will be large enough.

15. Hot Air Furnace System.

15*a*. Furnaces.—Hot air furnaces are best adapted for heating dwellings under 2000 sq. ft. ground area, and small churches or auditoriums where intermittent operation is largely the practice. Small plants may be installed for lower first cost than for other types of systems. The specific heat and carrying capacity of air as a heating medium limit the economical use of furnaces for large plants, increasing the fire risk and cost of both operation and installation. Their action is responsive and quick due to the comparatively small weight of the apparatus and medium, making an ideal system for intermittent operation under these conditions.

The fuel rate is high for all hot air systems in zero weather, but due to the wide range of carrying capacity and temperature of air as a medium to meet outside weather conditions, hot air systems give an economical overall fuel rate for the entire season. The furnace should not have a greater capacity in square feet of heating surface than that for which the flue is designed, or incomplete combustion due to low flue temperature will occur. The height of flue is more important than grate area. A draft of 0.16 to 0.2 in. of water should be available, especially for soft coal. Where the chimney is of minimum height, the furnace should have little

flue travel; where the height is available, longer flue travel is permissible. A cool smoke pipe is no sign of economy and usually means incomplete combustion.

The hot air furnace consists of a cast-iron grate and fire pot in which the fuel is burned, a cast-iron combustion dome with the fire door, and a cast-iron or sheet metal radiator through which the gases pass to the chimney. The whole is encased in galvanized iron, sometimes with a double casing with air space for insulation. The area of diameter of the grate, always given in catalogues, and the height of the chimney determine the fuel capacity, the total coal consumed per hour, and the rate per square foot of grate. This is primarily the limiting capacity of any furnace no matter how much cooling surface may be between the grate and flue. The average furnace secures from 5000 to 6000 heat units per lb. in combustion of soft coal and from 7000 to 8000 heat units per lb. in combustion of hard coal. The average fuel rate per hour per square foot of grate for the winter is about 4 lb. It may be as high as 8 lb. (with low outside temperatures and good draft) and as low as 2 to 2½ lb.

The cast-iron fire pots are ribbed or slotted for use with soft coal in order to provide ample air supply for the combustion of the volatile products distilled from the fuel bed. They are often built in two pieces, one of which may be replaced with a gas ring in order to burn gas and coal in conjunction. The fire pot is the first part of the furnace to be replaced. If the casting is too heavy, the radiating qualities are reduced, and if it is too light, it is liable to warp from the heat. All fire pots deteriorate with time and use due to slow oxidation of the iron, and for good economy they should be replaced every 3 or 4 yr. If the sides of the fire pot are nearly perpendicular, the ashes are less likely to collect on the sloping sides and interfere with the proper combustion of fuel.

The radiator is the heating surface forming the passage for the gases to the chimney. In some cases this is set directly on the fire pot and combined with the combustion dome. Cast radiators should be constructed so as to insure against gas leakage in the use of soft coal by having as few joints as possible. The cast-iron radiator has fewer joints than a steel radiator and is practically immune from corrosion, but the heating surface is more limited than that of the sheet metal type. The great trouble with all hot air furnaces is the deterioration of the joints and the nuisance of coal gas leakage into the rooms. These joints are made with a cup or groove and tongue packed with an asbestos cement. As far as joints are concerned, if the furnace is taken down, cleaned, and the joints remade about every 4 years, there will be little trouble from this cause with any of the types. The average furnace contains 18 to 22 sq. ft. of heating surface per square foot of grate, and the better class contains 10 to 30 sq. ft. per sq. ft. of grate. This quantity is seldom, if ever, given in catalogues.

Some furnace manufacturers have discarded the use of the radiator and use an extra large combustion chamber. This is advantageous with a low chimney because the travel of the gases and the frictional resistance are reduced. The use of the radiator gives long flue travel and is advantageous with high chimneys where greater pressure is available.

Furnaces are sometimes encased in brick but generally with galvanized iron, and in the better class of furnace, with a double galvanized-iron casing with 1-in. air space for insulation. Brick settings are large and undesirable. A plenum chamber is generally formed in such manner that the cross radiation from the high temperature heating surfaces interferes with the flow of warm air, resulting in low velocities. Such is not the case with galvanized-iron casings which are smooth and in better proportion with the required area. Brick settings, however, are more durable. All sudden changes in areas and velocities, where the flow of fluids is involved, cause loss of head or resistance to flow.

The cold air connection is generally taken from the outside with an overhead or a flue under ground leading into the base of the furnace. A return flue should be taken from the floor above, preferably in a hall, and fitted with a damper so recirculation may be established at will for extreme weather due to the high peak load and excessive fuel requirements. The velocity and power of the flues is increased by the use of out door air. The cold air flue should have 75% of the combined area of the hot air flues. Fans may be used in connection with furnace heating either to recirculate the air or to take it from out of doors.

15*b*. Flues and Hot Air Pipes.—Hot air pipes are round except when passing up stud partitions. They are made of IX tin or 26 galvanized iron, and should be graded up in the direction of floor 1 in. in 10 ft. Where leads from the furnace are over 15 ft., add 1 in. to diameter for each additional 10 ft. No horizontal lead should be less than 8-in. pipe diameter. When pipes are 14 in. and over, they should be connected to the furnace bonnet with twin connections and Y branch. Where long runs occur or where the pipes are in an outside wall double pipe is used. Also if double pipe is used in round section for long smoke flues, it will help the draft. There is no economy in a cold smoke pipe. It would mean that a hard fire would have to be operated simply to keep up proper combustion and flue temperature.

If the furnace has a single casing, it should be covered with a layer of paper or corrugated pipe covering wired on. The horizontal air piping, especially the long runs, should be wrapped in the same manner. There will be a large saving in fuel and efficiency, and a warm cellar will be avoided if piping and furnace are insulated. All stacks should run in inside walls and an inside chimney will help the draft to a greater extent than one outside the building.

Registers are known as wall, floor, base, flat, and convex. Floor registers require a tin or galvanized register box. Convex registers are those whose lattice extends beyond the wall face in order to give a greater percentage of free area. It is not safe to calculate on more than 50% clear area for register. Table 17 gives the capacity of most common sizes.

Provision should be made to remove a certain portion of the air from the building, although in most residences the construction permits considerable air change. Fireplaces make excellent outlets for the removal of air.

15c. Designing Data for Hot Air System.—Table 18 gives the capacities in cubic feet of space heated by hot air furnaces, and total cross section of the furnace pipes that may be supplied. The area between the casing proper and radiator should be 120 % of the area of the pipes supplied. These capacities are based on: (1) 8 lb. of fuel per sq. ft. of grate, which rate may be easily obtained in zero weather with a good flue; (2) the initial temperature with all outside air at −10 deg. F., 0 deg. F., and +10 deg. F., (3) air heated to 180 deg. and entering the room at 150 deg.; and (4) 70 deg. room temperature.

The capacity of a furnace in cubic feet of space heated is not sufficiently accurate due to the variation in requirements. The total area of heat pipes in square inches is definite when the B.t.u. losses and pipe sizes are determined.

Let H = total heat units per hour required for the air to be raised from 0 to 180 deg.

h = B.t.u. loss determined by glass and wall.

a = total area of pipes, in square inches.

A = square feet grate area.

d = density of air at 165 deg. F. = 0.0635 lb. per cu. ft. (Table 3, col. 3).

TABLE 17.—CAPACITIES AND DIMENSIONS OF WARM AIR PIPING AND REGISTERS

Diameter of round cellar or riser pipe (inches)	Rectangular riser pipe (inches)	Area of riser pipe (sq. in.)	Required free area register face (sq. in.)	Size of round register (diameter in inches)	Size of wall register (inches)	Size of floor register (inches)
6	3 × 9½	28	52	10	8 × 8	8 × 8
6½	3½ × 9½	33	62			
7	3½ × 11	38	72	10	8 × 10	8 × 10
7½	3½ × 12½	44	84			
8	3½ × 14	50	96	12	8 × 12	8 × 12
8½	4 × 14	57	108			
9	4 × 16	64	120	14	10 × 12	10 × 12
9½	4 × 18	71	134			
10	4 × 20	78	142	14	12 × 12	10 × 16
10½	6 × 14½	86	158			
11	6 × 16	95	176	16	12 × 15	12 × 15
11½	6 × 17½	104	194			
12	6 × 19	113	204	18	14 × 15	12 × 20
12½	6 × 20½	122	222			
13	6 × 22	132	242	18	14 × 18	14 × 18
13½	8 × 18	143	254			
14	8 × 19	154	276	20	16 × 18	14 × 22
14½	8 × 20½	165	298			
15	8 × 22	176	320	24	16 × 20	16 × 20
16	8 × 25	201	358	24	18 × 20	16 × 24
18	10 × 25½	254	450	24	20 × 24	18 × 27
20	12 × 26	314	554	28	22 × 26	20 × 30
22	14 × 27	380	686	30	24 × 30	24 × 30
23	14 × 29½	415	707	30	27 × 27	24 × 32
24	14 × 32	452	770	30	28 × 28	24 × 36

Velocity in the casing = 5 ft. per sec.

Area of the casing in square inches = $1.2 \times a$.

Specific heat of air = 0.24 B.t.u. per lb.

$$H = \frac{3600 \text{ sec.} \times 5 \text{ ft.} \times 1.2'' \, a'' \times (180 - 0) \times 0.24 \times 0.0635}{144} = (411 \times a) \text{ B.t.u. per hr.}$$

All hot air furnace ratings are based on air entering at 0 deg. F. and raised to 180 deg. F. and with a temperature entering the room at 150 deg. F. in zero weather with the room at 70 deg. F. In case a greater air supply is de-

sirable for ventilation, the entering temperature may be reduced, as explained under fan heating. If the air enters at 0 deg. F. and is heated to 180 deg. F. and the diffusion is 150 deg. F. − 70 deg. F. = 80 deg.F.

$$H = \frac{(180 \text{ deg.} - 0 \text{ deg.}) \times h}{(150 \text{ deg.} - 70 \text{ deg.})} = 2.25\ h \text{ or B.t.u. loss.}$$

TABLE 18.—CAPACITIES OF WARM AIR FURNACES OF ORDINARY CONSTRUCTION IN CU. FT. OF SPACE HEATED

Divided space	Undivided space				Fire pot			Total cross section of pipes (sq. in.)	Diameter of single pipe (in.)	No. of 8-in. pipes	No. of 9-in. pipes	No. of 10-in. pipes	No. of 12-in. pipes
Entering air at	Entering air at												
+ 10° F.	0° F.	− 10° F.	+ 10° F.	0° F.	− 10° F.	Dia. (in.)	Area (sq. ft.)	Dia. of casing (in.)						
12,000	10,000	8,000	17,000	14,000	12,000	18	1.8	30–32	180	15	4.8	3.6	2.8	1.8
14,000	12,000	10,000	22,000	17,000	14,000	20	2.2	34–36	280	19	8.8	6.5	5.0	3.2
17,000	14,000	12,000	26,000	22,000	17,000	22	2.6	36–40	360	21	10.0	8.4	6.3	4.1
22,000	18,000	14,000	30,000	26,000	22,000	24	3.1	40–44	470	24	16.0	12.0	8.9	5.7
26,000	22,000	18,000	35,000	30,000	26,000	26	3.7	44–50	565	27	21.0	15.0	12.0	7.5
30,000	26,000	22,000	40,000	35,000	30,000	28	4.3	48–56	650	29	25.0	19.0	14.0	9.1
35,000	30,000	26,000	50,000	40,000	35,000	30	4.9	52–60	750	31	30.0	22.0	17.0	10.0

If the air is recirculated or raised from 70 deg. instead of 0 deg.,

$$H = \frac{(180 \text{ deg.} - 70 \text{ deg.}) \times h}{(150 \text{ deg.} - 70 \text{ deg.})} = 1.375\ h, \text{ or a little over } \tfrac{1}{2} \text{ the former amount.}$$

If the furnace uses 7500 B.t.u. per lb., of the 12,000 B.t.u. per lb. available from the fuel, it is $\frac{7500}{12{,}000} = 65\%$ efficient.

For air entering at 0 deg. F., the coal consumed per hour in terms of B.t.u. loss is $\frac{2.25}{7500} h = 0.0003h$ (pounds). For air entering at 70 deg.F. the coal consumed per hour in pounds is $\frac{1.375}{7500}\ h = 0.000183h$. If 8 lb. of coal are burned per square foot of grate area per hour in extreme weather, the grate area in terms of B.t.u. loss is $\frac{0.0003h}{8} = 0.0000375h$ sq. ft. for air entering at 0 deg.F., and $\frac{0.000183h}{8} = 0.0000229h$ sq. ft. for air entering at 70 deg. F.

If the total heat losses plus 25% for a building are say 120,000 B.t.u. per hr. for air entering at 0 deg. F., the coal burned is 120,000 × 0.0003 = 36 lb. per hr. and the grate area is 120,000 × 0.0000375 = 4.5 sq. ft.; for air entering at 70 deg. F., the coal burned is 120,000 × 0.000183 = 22 lb. per hr. and the grate area is 120,000 × 0.0000229 = 2.75 sq. ft.

Table 19, by R. C. Carpenter, gives the velocities per square foot of flue with 50% allowed for friction. The difference in temperature between the outside air and that in the flue, together with the height, determines the velocity. The cubic feet of air required per minute at 165 deg. F. average, with a density of 0.0635 lb. per cu. ft., a specific heat of 0.24, and a diffusion temperature of 80 deg. F. will be in terms of the B.t.u. loss, h.

$$\frac{h}{60 \text{ min.} \times 0.0635 \times 0.24 \times 80^\circ} = 0.0137\ h \text{ cu. ft. per min.}$$

From Table 19 and 150 deg. difference between flue and outside, we have for first, second, and third floors

First floor.....	5 ft. height.....	298 ft. per min.
Second floor.....	10 ft. height.....	419 ft. per min.
Third floor.....	20 ft. height.....	593 ft. per min.

The flue areas will be

First floor $\frac{0.0137h \times 144}{298} = 0.0137h \times 0.483 = 0.0066h$ sq. in.

Second floor $\frac{0.0137h \times 144}{419} = 0.0137h \times 0.344 = 0.0047h$ sq. in.

Third floor $\frac{0.0137h \times 144}{593} = 0.0137h \times 0.243 = 0.0033h$ sq. in.

15d. Rules Governing Hot Air Furnaces.

1. An offset in the riser pipe is equivalent to an addition to the length of the cellar pipe and should be counted in when measuring the total length of pipe.

2. When the warm air pipes are taken from the top of the bonnet of the heater, the tops of all elbows should be on a level so the flow will be equal.

3. An air space should be left around all pipes passing through masonry walls so that the pipe will not be chilled.

4. All pipes should have dampers close to the furnace.

TABLE 19.—QUANTITY OF AIR DISCHARGED IN CUBIC FEET PER MINUTE THROUGH A FLUE 1 SQ. FT. IN SECTIONAL AREA

External temperature of air 32 deg.—Friction 50%. (By R. C. Carpenter)

Height of flue (ft.)	Excess of temperature of air in flue above external air								
	5 deg.	10 deg.	15 deg.	20 deg.	25 deg.	30 deg.	50 deg.	100 deg.	150 deg.
1	24	34	42	48	54	59	76	108	133
5	55	76	94	109	121	134	167	242	298
10	77	108	133	153	171	188	242	342	419
15	94	133	162	188	210	230	297	419	514
20	108	153	188	217	242	265	342	484	593
25	121	171	210	242	271	297	383	541	663
30	133	188	230	265	297	325	419	593	726
35	143	203	248	286	320	351	453	640	784
40	153	217	265	306	342	375	484	684	838
45	162	230	282	325	363	398	514	724	889
50	171	242	297	342	383	419	541	765	937
60	188	264	325	373	420	461	594	835	1006
70	203	286	351	405	465	497	643	900	1115
80	217	306	375	453	485	530	688	965	1185
90	220	324	398	460	516	564	727	1027	1225
100	243	342	420	485	534	594	768	1080	1325
125	273	383	458	542	604	662	855	1210	1480
150	298	420	515	596	665	730	942	1330	1630

5. When heating rooms on the cold side of the house or a room with a large amount of glass, place one register in the floor as near as possible to the furnace and a cold air register face in the floor under or near the window and connect with a separate pipe to bottom of casing, thereby removing cold air from room and inducing a flow of warm air.

6. Always take the cold air supply from the coldest side of the house—west, northwest, or north.

7. Cold air box should be ⅔ the total area of the warm air pipes. When recirculating air it should be equal to area of the warm air pipes.

8. A cold air pit under the heater should never be more than 14 in. deep; a pier in the center is desirable to support the ash pit. With more than one air opening, place a partition across.

9. Where there is a long run for the smoke connection, the smoke pipe should be covered and allowance made in the chimney height, or the flue gases will be chilled, reducing draft pressure and interfering seriously with the operation of the plant. The chimney should be, if possible, inside the building instead of outside. Where long runs of smoke pipe occur, use double pipe with an air space.

16. Indirect Heating System.—The indirect heating system is a combination system in which steam or hot water is employed to heat pipe coils or radiators over which air is circulated or blown and transmitted through ducts to the various rooms of a building. There are two methods of producing circulation, one by gravity and one with blowers. Gravity indirect systems are so uncertain that, except for house heating purposes, they are becoming obsolete. On the other hand, electric current is so easy of access and low priced, that when hot air heating is desired, it is far more satisfactory and the operation is more certain if a fan and motor are used to force the air through the coils and ducts. The cost of the system is thereby largely reduced and less space is required.

Indirect radiators are built of pipes or cast-iron sections, and in stacks for heating individual flues. Except when very high pressure steam is required, the use of "Vento" cast-iron radiators is superseding the use of pipe coils to a greater and greater extent. Both the size of a pipe coil stack and the number of sections in a cast-iron indirect radiator depend upon the volume

of air to be passed through it. Stacks are arranged in series, in parallel, or in series-parallel, all depending on the desired increase in air temperature, the volume of air to be heated, and the pattern of the radiator itself.

If the volume of air to be heated is small, as in house heating, the problem of designing and selecting indirect radiators is simplified, for often one radiator, one stack deep, is sufficient to take care of the volume of air. Fig. 18 shows a typical cast-iron indirect radiator arranged to take air from out of doors and discharge it by gravity through a flue into a room. These radiators are sometimes arranged so that all or part of the air is passed through or by-passed around the stack, with two dampers working in conjunction in such a manner that the air may be tempered and mixed at will. The dampers may be operated by hand or with a thermostat.

If the volume of air to be heated is large, the problem is somewhat more involved, due to the large number of variables. All indirect heating problems, however, are solved in about the same general manner, whether the volume of delivered air is large or small. If the volume is large, the radiators may either be made larger or a number of them may be placed in parallel, or both, to increase the area through which the air passes, known as the free area. If the outside temperature is low, the amount of heating surface per square foot of free area must be increased, either by placing the stacks in series, or by selecting one stack whose particular design gives the necessary amount of heating surface per square foot of free area.

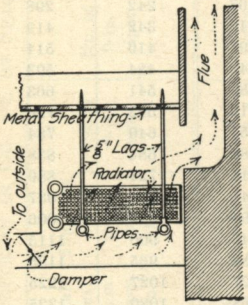


FIG. 18.—Indirect heating stack and hot air flue for steam or water.

The amount of heat to be delivered in the air in the rooms is the product of the volume, the rise in temperature, and the specific heat of the air, but since the volume and temperature rise depend on the square feet of heating surface per square foot of free area, $\frac{Ns}{A} = f$, and the velocity of the air, the heat to be delivered also depends on the rates, $\frac{Ns}{A} = f$, and the velocity of the air, N being the number of stacks in series. If a velocity is assumed, and the temperature range, temperature conditions, and volume of air are known, the value of f for those conditions may be computed from equation 6 or 7, Art. 16*b*, and a stack of a certain pattern or a number of stacks in series of a certain pattern may be selected from Table 20. (See Art. 16*a* for method of computing the volume of air necessary.) After the pattern of stack and the number of stacks in series are selected, it is necessary from the volume and the velocity to compute the free area from $A = \frac{Q}{V}$. Following this, with values of the free area A, and the ratio f (Table 20), the total heating surface may be computed from $Ns = Af$. The value of Ns thus computed should agree with the value of S computed from $S = \frac{\text{B.t.u. per hr. required}}{(\theta_s - \theta_m) \times K}$. The transmission factor K is defined in Art. 16*b*. $(\theta_s - \theta_m)$ is the mean temperature difference between the steam and air and is computed from Eq. 3, Art. 16*b*.

With the total heating surface, the heating surface per section, and the number of stacks in series, the total number of sections and the number of sections per stack may be computed. (See illustrative problem in Art. 16*c*.)

Where the radiators are in series, and N is used to denote the number of stacks, it is easily seen that the heating surface is increased while the free area remains constant, thus increasing the value of f. In such a case, $f = \frac{Ns}{A}$. Where one stack deep only is used, this reduces to $f = \frac{s}{A} = \frac{S}{A}$. The above considerations assume that all the radiators are in series. Practically, where the volume is so great that a radiator is too long if it is built up of enough sections to satisfy the heating demand, it may be cut in two or more pieces making two or more radiators in parallel; in other words, two or more stacks in parallel. In that case, $N = 1$ the same as before, N only referring to the number of stacks deep or the number of stacks in series. The quanity s is the surface of all the radiators in any one row in parallel.

16*a*. Ventilation with Indirect Heating.—Care should be taken in assuming a temperature at which the air is to enter. The best temperature to assume depends on the desired number of air changes in the room per hour and varies between being too cool to be effective and too hot for comfort. The number of air changes per hour, neglecting infiltration, is the volume of air necessary to furnish the B.t.u. losses divided by the cubic contents of the room. If, by trial, certain temperature assumptions give too great or too little air change, new assumptions will have to be made before starting the design of appropriate stacks.

Since the air leaves the room through foul air ducts at room temperature and is discharged into the atmosphere, which is often much below zero, it is easy to see that more heat must be furnished by the indirect radiators than is necessary to supply the heat losses; in fact, the exact amount to be furnished is that lost in the ducts, that used to supply the room losses, and that which is lost to the outside atmosphere through the vents. For example, if the outside atmosphere were at −10 deg. F., the air leaving the radiator at 125 deg. F., the temperature drop in the ducts at 5 deg. F., the temperature of the air entering the room at 120 deg. F., and the room temperature 70 deg. F., the

TABLE 20.—DATA ON TYPES OF CAST-IRON INDIRECT RADIATORS

Pattern	Length (in.)	Height (in.)	Heating surface per section (sq. ft.) S	Width of each radiator in stack (in.)	Spacing c. to c. (in.)	Net free area (sq. ft. per section) A	Sq. ft. surface per sq. net area (f') $f' = \frac{S}{A}$	Friction (lb. per sq. ft. per 150-ft. velocity per min. 1 stack deep)
Perfection Pin	36¼	10	10.0	2¾	2¾	0.1965	50.9	0.0187
	36¼	10	10.0	2¾	2⅞	0.225	44.4	0.0166
	36¼	14	15.0	2¾	2¾	0.1965	76.34	0.0270
	36¼	14	15.0	2¾	2⅞	0.225	66.66	0.0230
	36	14	12.0	3⅝	3⅞	0.355	33.8	0.154
Excelsior standard	36	8	12.0	3⅝	3⅝	0.296	40.54	0.013
Sanitary school pin	36⅛	15¼	20.0	4	4	0.45	44.4	0.0134
			20.0	4	4 3/16	0.494	40.5	0.0123
Sterling	36¾	15¾	20.0	3½	3½	0.3	66.6	0.0203
Cardinal	37¼	11¼	15.0	3½	3½	0.278	54.0	0.01574
Narrow Vento	40		7.5		4⅝	0.525	14.28	0.00616
	40	41	7.5	3½	5	0.62	12.10	0.00575
6¾ in. wide	40		7.5		5⅜	0.729	10.29	0.00522
	50		9.5		4⅝	0.65	14.61	0.00616
	50	51	9.5	3½	5	0.768	12.37	0.00575
	50		9.5		5⅜	0.905	10.5	0.00522
	60		11.0		4⅝	0.781	14.1	0.00616
	60	60¾	11.0	3½	5	0.921	11.94	0.00575
	60		11.0		5⅜	1.085	10.14	0.00522
Regular section Vento	30		8.0		4	0.225	35.6	0.0133
	30	30	8.0	3½	4⅝	0.390	20.5	0.0077
	30		8.0		5	0.46	17.4	0.00726
	30		8.0		5⅜	0.542	14.76	0.00638
9⅛ in. wide	40		10.75		4	0.35	30.71	0.0115
	40	41	10.75	3½	4⅝	0.525	20.48	0.0077
	40		10.75		5	0.62	17.34	0.00726
	40		10.75		5⅜	0.729	14.75	0.00638
	50		13.5		4⅝	0.65	20.77	0.0077
	50	50 29/32	13.5	3½	5	0.768	17.58	0.00726
	50		13.5		5⅜	0.905	14.92	0.00638
	60	60¾	16.0	3½	4⅝	0.781	20.5	0.0077
	60		16.0		5	0.921	17.38	0.00726
	60		16.0		5⅜	1.085	14.75	0.00638
	72		19.0		4⅝	0.937	20.28	0.0077
	72	72	19.0	3½	5	1.104	17.21	0.00726
	72		19.0		5⅜	1.303	14.58	0.00638

For friction in lb. per sq. ft. for any velocity, divide by 150, square the result, and multiply by quantity in last column. For inches of water, multiply this result by 0.1925.

Multiply by number of stacks deep for total friction.

ratio of total heat to the useful heat is the same as the ratio of the temperature differences; thus, using the above temperature assumptions,

$$\frac{\text{Total heat}}{\text{Useful heat}} = \frac{(125 \text{ deg.} - -10 \text{ deg.})}{(120 \text{ deg.} - 70 \text{ deg.})} = \frac{135}{50}$$

or

$$\text{total heat required} = \frac{\text{B. t. u. losses} \times 135}{50}$$

Again, using these same temperature conditions, the average weight of air per cu. ft. = 0.075 (Table 3) and the specific heat = 0.24, the required volume of air in cubic feet is

$$\frac{\text{Useful heat}}{0.075 \times 0.24 \times 50} \text{ or } \frac{\text{total heat required}}{0.075 \times 0.24 \times 135}$$

16b. Heat Given Up by Indirect Radiators.[1]—The heat transmitted by indirect radiators depends on two things: the transmission factor K, and the mean temperature difference between the fluids, in this case either steam and air or hot water and air. The transmission factor K is the number of B.t.u. per square foot of heating surface per hour per degree of mean temperature difference between the fluids. It varies only with the velocity of the air over the surface.

For cast-iron indirect radiators

$$K = \frac{1}{0.047 + \frac{61}{V}} \tag{1}$$

For pipe coil indirect radiators

$$K = \frac{1}{0.0447 + \frac{50.66}{V}} \tag{2}$$

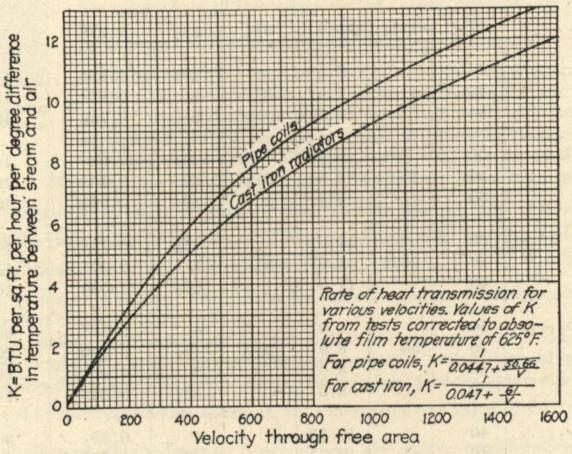


Diagram 5.—Condensation chart to be used in connection with Diagram 6.

Diagram 5 gives values of K for various velocities. The writer has assumed that a velocity was known and that the relation would hold true whether the air was circulated by gravity or by fan. The mean temperature difference of fluids transmitting heat through surfaces is, in any case,

$$\theta_s - \theta_m = \frac{\theta_2 - \theta_1}{2.3025 \log \frac{\theta_s - \theta_1}{\theta_s - \theta_2}} \tag{3}$$

where θ_s = temperature of steam or average water temperature.
θ_m = average mean temperature of the air.
θ_1 = temperature of entering air.
θ_2 = final temperature of air.
The Naperian logarithm = 2.0325 times the common logarithm.
Diagram 6 gives values of $(\theta_s - \theta_m)$ for various temperature conditions. Let
A = area through heater in square feet.
V = velocity of air in feet per minute, measured at 70 deg. F.
S = total area of heating surface in square feet.
$Q = AV$ = flow in cubic feet per minute measured at 70 deg. F.
C_p = specific heat of air at constant pressure = 0.24.
d = density of air at 70 deg. F. = 0.075 (Table 3).
K = transmission factor.

[1] Formulas given were deduced from experiments by F. L. Busey and W. H. Carrier and are considered classic contributions to the science of Heating Engineering. They are used by all blower and heater maufacturers for their capacity tables.

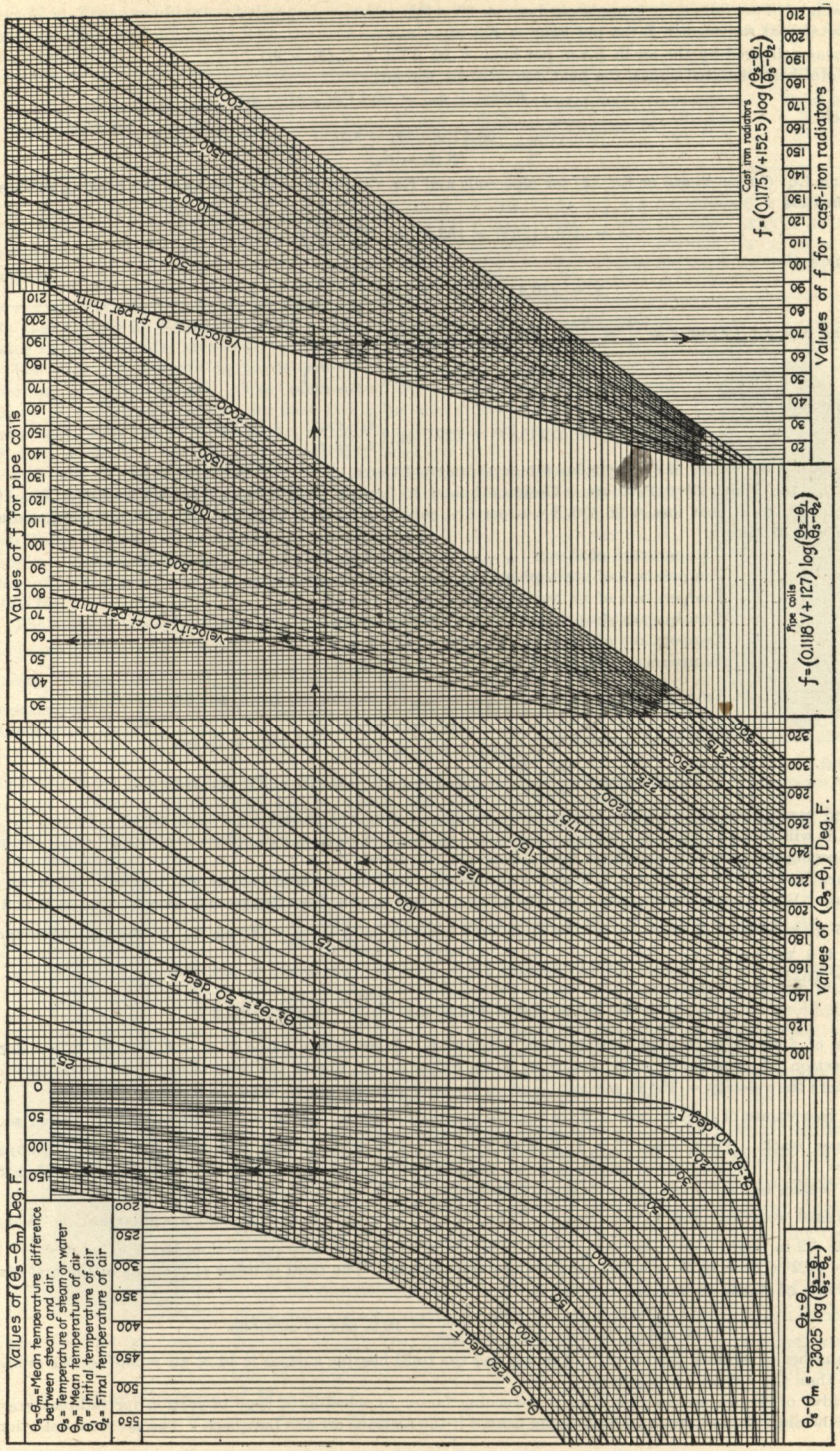


DIAGRAM 6.—Air temperature increments for cast iron and pipe coil indirect radiation under various conditions of steam and water pressures and temperatures.

The weight of air flowing in pounds per hour = $60\,AVd$.
The total heat radiated in B.t.u. per hour = $KS\,(\theta_s - \theta_m)$.
The heat delivered by the air in B.t.u. per hour = $60\,AVd \times C_p(\theta_2 - \theta_1)$.
The total heat radiated equals the heat delivered by the air:

$$KS(\theta_s - \theta_m) = 60AVdC_p(\theta_2 - \theta_1)$$

from which

$$S = \frac{60AVdC_p\,(\theta_2 - \theta_1)}{K(\theta_s - \theta_m)}$$

Substituting Eq. (1) for Vento or Eq. (2) for pipe coils and Eq. (3) for $(\theta_s - \theta_m)$, we have the heating surface for cast-iron heaters

$$S = A(0.1175V + 152.5) \log \left(\frac{\theta_s - \theta_1}{\theta_s - \theta_2}\right) \tag{4}$$

and for pipe coils

$$S = A(0.1118V + 127) \log \left(\frac{\theta_s - \theta_1}{\theta_s - \theta_2}\right) \tag{5}$$

Substituting $S = fA$ $\left(\text{From } f = \frac{S}{A} = \frac{Ns}{A}\right)$, for cast-iron heaters

$$f = (0.1175V + 152.5) \log \left(\frac{\theta_s - \theta_1}{\theta_s - \theta_2}\right) \tag{6}$$

and for pipe coils

$$f = (0.1118V + 127) \log \left(\frac{\theta_s - \theta_1}{\theta_s - \theta_2}\right) \tag{7}$$

Diagram 6 gives values of f for various temperature conditions.

16c. Illustrative Problem.—Design a heater to furnish heat to room 1, second floor, Fig. 7, p. 1094. From Table 13, total heat loss = 96,430 B.t.u. per hr., cubic contents = 34,272 cu. ft., and air changes due to infiltration = 0.375 per hr.

Assume

Temperature of steam	= 220 deg. F.
Temperature of atmosphere	= − 10 deg. F.
Temperature of air leaving heater	= 125 deg. F.
Temperature drop in ducts	= 5 deg. F.
Temperature of air entering room	= 120 deg. F.
Temperature of air in room	= 70 deg. F.

$$\text{Total heat required} = \frac{96{,}430\,(125 - 10)}{(120 - 70)} = 260{,}360 \text{ B.t.u. per hr.}$$

$$\text{Volume of air necessary} = \frac{260{,}360}{0.075 \times 0.24 \times 135} = 107{,}150 \text{ cu. ft. per hr.}$$

$$\text{Air changes} = \frac{107{,}150}{34{,}272} + 0.375 = 3.12 + 0.375 = 3.5 \text{ per hr.}$$

This is good ventilation, therefore the temperature conditions were well chosen for outside air at −10 deg. F. By inspection, it will be seen that if the temperature of the atmosphere rises, it will reduce the number of air changes, unless tempering dampers and a by-pass for cold air are employed.

The next step in the problem is to decide whether pipe coils or cast-iron heaters will be used. First we will choose to use "Vento" cast-iron heaters. A velocity of 150 ft. per min. from Diagram 5 gives a value of $K = 2.20$; Diagram 6 gives a value of $(\theta_s - \theta_m) = 152.0$; and the free area is $\frac{107{,}150}{60 \times 150} = 12$ sq. ft. If the heating surface is $\frac{260{,}360 \text{ B. t. u. per hr.}}{2.20 \times 152.0} = 779$ sq. ft., then the ratio $f = \frac{779}{12} = 65$. From Eq. 6, Art. 16*b*,

$$f = (0.1175 \times 150 + 152.5) \log \left(\frac{220 - 10}{220 - 125}\right) = 65.2$$

Values of f may also be read directly from Diagram 6. Start with a value of $\theta_s - \theta_m = 230$, follow dotted line in direction of arrow up to curve of $\theta_s - \theta_2 = 95$, follow dotted line to the right to the cast-iron radiator diagram to where the velocity = 150 ft. per min., and on the scale directly above, read the value of $f = 65.1$.

These two values of f agree very well, so we can assume $f = 65.2$. Let $f' = \frac{N}{f}$ = sq. ft. of surface per sq. ft. free area per stack. Then, when $N = 1$, $f' = 65.2$; $N = 2$, $f' = 32.6$; $N = 3$, $f' = 21.7$; $N = 4$, $f' = 16.3$; and $N = 5$, $f' = 13.0$. The number of stacks may be varied at will by selecting a radiator of appropriate design from Table 20. Values of f are given for each type of radiator.

In this case, we will assume 4 stacks deep. Then $f' = \frac{65.1}{4} = 16.3$. From Table 20, a regular section "Vento" 9½ in. wide, 72 in. high, 5 in. c. to c., and with 19 sq. ft. of heating surface per section, has a value of $f' = 17.2$, making $f = 17.2 \times N = 68.8$, or a little above the requirements. The total number of sections in the first stack, or the first row of stacks as the case may be, is

$$\frac{12 \text{ sq. ft. free area}}{1.104 \text{ sq. ft. free area per stack}} = 10.9, \text{ say } 11 \text{ sections.}$$

The total number of sections then is $11 \times 4 = 44$, and the total heating surface is $44 \times 19 = 836$ sq. ft., or somewhat more than the 780 sq. ft. required.

The width of the air spaces should be a governing factor in selecting a type of section for indirect gravity heating, as the air is liable to pass without being heated if the sections are too far apart. The previous selection of

4 tiers 72-in. Vento would prove bulky and engender difficult construction due to space in many cases. The following tabulation gives four selections with the friction and data comparatively from Table 20, as well as approximate space occupied.

Type of sections	Spacing c. to c. (inches)	Tiers deep	f	Sq. ft. per section	Free area per section	Total no. sections	Total sq. ft.	Friction (lb. per sq. ft.)	Total length × width × depth
72-in. Vento.....	5	4	17.21 × 4	19.0	1.104	44	836.0	0.02904	6′ × 4′ 7″ × 3′ 4″
40-in. Vento.....	4	2	30.71 × 2	10.75	0.35	74	795.5	0.023	3′4″ × 12′ 4″ × 1′ 8″
Perfection.....	2⅞	1	66.66	15.0	0.225	54	810.0	0.023	3′ × 13′ × 1′ 3″
Sterling.....	3½	1	66.66	20.0	0.3	40	800.0	0.0203	3′ × 11⅜′ × 1′ 4″

Note that the 40 in. Vento is slightly under requirements. This was adjusted by making the area slightly greater by adding two sections to each tier.

The next requirement is to determine whether with the head available the velocities will be realized. The method of determining the resistance and velocity is as follows: Assume for each flue a horizontal duct 30 ft. long with 3 elbows with a radius of ½ the depth, a flue temperature of 125 deg., two registers with 75% of the flue velocity and an effective height of 20 ft.

The cubic feet of air required per hour is 170,150 or 2820 cu. ft. per minute. The available pressure for 125 deg. and 20 ft. height (Table 26) is 0.287 lb. per sq. ft. Assume 300-ft. per min. flue velocity with 3 flues of 3 sq. ft. each, say 12 in. deep. From Table 27, 3 sq. ft. with 0.0045 lb. per sq. ft. drop in 10 ft. will give 942 cu. ft. per min. Assuming a length of 30 ft. in the cold air duct and 3 elbows with a radius of ½ the depth, we will require 30 ft. additional of pipe or 30 + 90 + 20 = 140 ft.

The ratio of the sides being 3 × 1, the actual friction will be for each unit flue

Pipe friction $14 \times 1.18 \times 0.0045$ = 0.0743 lb. per sq. ft. (Tables 27, 30)

Velocity head $0.075 \frac{V^2}{2g} = \frac{25}{64.32} \times 0.075$ = 0.0293 lb. per sq. ft.

2 registers—$2 \times 1.25 \times (0.75)^2 \times 0.0293$ = 0.0413 lb. per sq. ft. Eq. 4 Art. 28*c*

Indirect stack sterling = 0.0203 lb. per sq. ft. (Table 20)

0.1652 lb. per sq. ft.

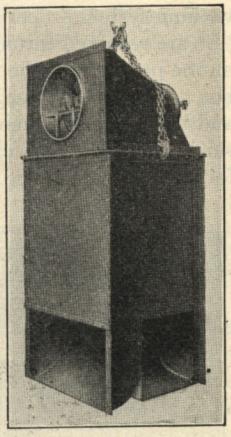


FIG. 19.—Unit fan heater, Sturtevant Co.

This shows there is ample power to overcome resistance at the assumed velocities, also that the Vento stack 4 deep has too great resistance when the outside temperature reaches 50 to 65 deg. for the difference between the flue and outside. The available pressure then is 0.16 lb. per sq. ft. (Table 26).

The steam necessary at 220 deg. F. $= \frac{260{,}360}{965.2} = 270$ lb. per hr. Where the velocities are high, say around 1200 ft. per min., when fans are used, then proportions of heaters change; the number of stacks is increased and the sections per stack are decreased.

There is very little data on indirect heating with low steam temperatures or with hot water but it is difficult to raise the temperature of the air with only one stack deep. There is no good reason or advantage in using indirect hot water, as, with the circulated air, a constant steam temperature may be used, varying the room temperature with that of the air flow and temperature.

Fan coils are figured in exactly the same manner as for gravity circulation, only with higher velocities. An example is given in Art. 16*d*.

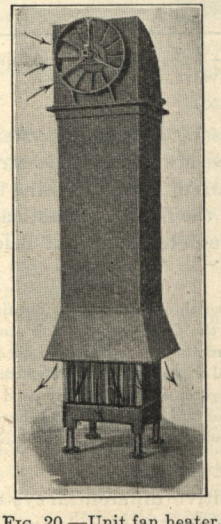


FIG. 20.—Unit fan heater, American Blower Co.

16*d*. Unit Fan Heaters.—Figs. 19 and 20 show a rather recent innovation called unit fan heaters. These are set near the floor with a disc fan and motor to circulate the air in shops and factories. They give a very effective distribution without ducts and the horsepower of the fans is only 1 to 1½ hp. or less, per unit. One unit may handle 50,000 or 60,000 cu. ft. of air per min., and they may be connected with a hot water or steam system of distribution, thus doing away with direct radiation. The type shown is not suitable for hot water, but they may be made up of a fan, casing, and a number of sections of short Vento placed about 6 ft. from the floor level.

17. Other Systems of Heating.

17*a*. Vacuum Steam Heating.—A vacuum system may be applied to any steam

heating plant by placing thermostatic traps on all radiators and drip connections between the supply mains and returns so the piping handling steam will be entirely separated from that taking care of the condensation, except through the thermostatic traps which are all designed to allow air or water to pass but to hold the steam. The system commonly takes the name from the name of the trap; the most common are Dunham (Fig. 20*A*), Warren Webster, McLear, Hoffman and Marsh.

The returns are all brought to a central point where there is a power vacuum pump operated by steam or electricity to mechanically remove the air and water from the system. The discharge of this pump leads to an air separating tank or receiver from which the water is pumped back to the boiler by the feed pump.

17*b*. Air Line Vacuum Systems.—A modification of the vaccuum return system is the vacuum air line system used exclusively in connection with single pipe steam. The vacuum system proper has the *thermostatic* trap at the return of radiator, and air and condensation are removed through the return requiring no air valve on the radiator. Special air valves on the principle of the *thermostatic* trap are attached to the radiators, which allow air to pass but no water or steam. These are connected together with ½-in. pipe to a ¾ or 1-in. main and led to the basement to a drain or sink. This obviates the nuisance of air valves with their smells and leaks. An ejector or other mechanical apparatus for air removal may be used on the end of the line if desired

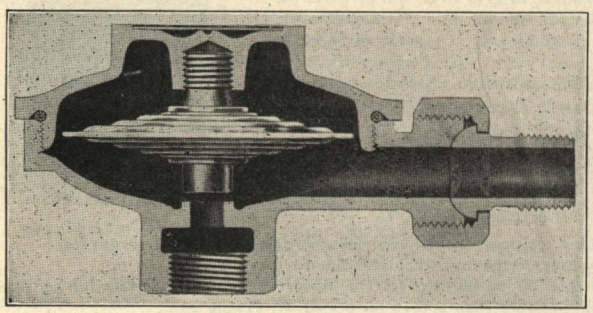


FIG. 20*A*.—Dunham radiator trap.

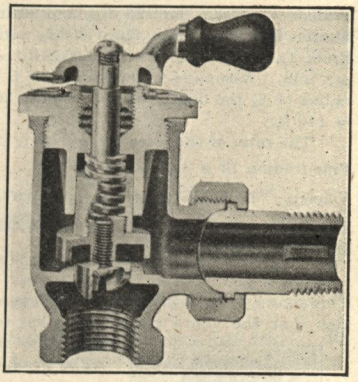


FIG. 20*B*.—Webster Type N modulation valve, sectional view.

17*c*. Vapor Systems.—Vapor systems are practically the same as vacuum systems with the mechanical air removal omitted. The same valves and traps are used. The air is exhausted by a large vent on the end of supply and return mains by means of initially raising the pressure on the boiler. After removing the air, the vent on the end of the main automatically seals and if the system can be kept air-tight, the steam will circulate somewhat below atmospheric pressure.

Another method involves an entirely open system with a main vent connected to the boiler flue to obtain a pressure below the surrounding air. Automatic regulators on the boiler controlling the draft prevent any steam pressure above atmosphere. Very slight pressure drops and large pipe sizes for the mains are required to accomplish this. The same principles governing the flow of fluids are involved and special attention must be given to make sure that the pressures throughout the system will equalize quickly. Vapor systems are generally used for house heating and small plants where no exhaust steam is available. Thermostatic control is advisable as there is practically no variation in the temperature of the medium beyond a few degrees. Fractional valves are commonly used on the radiators for both vapor and vacuum systems (Fig. 20*B*).

17*d*. Donnelly Positive Differential System.—The positive differential system consists of the following essential parts: (1) a throttling valve for admitting the desired amount of steam to the radiators, (2) an impulse valve on the outlet of each radiator, (3) a positive differential valve located at each return riser for maintaining a standard difference in pressure between the steam supply and return risers.

If the engine were exhausting at ½-lb. back pressure, which would be the pressure in the supply riser and in the radiators when turned on full, the valve on the radiator would be set at ½ lb. to reduce the steam pressure to zero while allowing the discharge of water by gravity through the valve. The differential valves in the branch return are weighted to about 5 lb. per sq. in. (area of the valve seat) which permits a vacuum as high as 10 in. to be carried on the main return.

17*e*. Vacuum Exhaust Steam Heating.—Where exhaust steam is utilized or where high pressure steam is reduced, a reducing pressure valve is required which opens and closes, governing the supply of steam automatically with the demand. This is composed of a diaphragm and spring which with the valve seat establishes an equilibrium so that a constant pressure is maintained on the low side. By-pass valves are essential so repairs may be made and operation maintained. A back pressure valve is required so if the engine supplies more steam than necessary, the pressure in the heating main will open the valve to the atmosphere and relieve the system. The back pressure valve also prevents air entering the system. These two pieces of apparatus keep the pressure constant in the mains, an essential point in proper operation and results.

Vacuum systems are used where the exhaust steam is circulated at very low pressures in connection with its utilization from non-condensing steam engines. There is undoubtedly economy in the mechanical removal of air from any steam system. Much is claimed for vacuum systems, but except for removal of air, they are like any other steam systems. The vacuum in the returns cannot reach the steam in the radiators or mains due to the trap. If higher vacuum than corresponds with the return water temperature is carried, cold water must be injected back of the vacuum pump to reduce the temperature, or the condensation, being at a higher temperature than the boiling point at that pressure, vaporizes into steam. From the above it will be seen that a vacuum system can produce no pressure below atmospheric on an engine or turbine at the exhaust outlet. The best results are obtained when about 2 or 3 in. of vacuum are maintained on the return of the radiators or just enough to assure the rapid removal of the air leakage and condensation.

17*f*. High Pressure Steam.—When high pressure live steam is used for heating up to 20 lb., the water may be returned to the boiler by a return trap, a tilting tank that alternately connects the tank with the system, filling with water, and then by its added weight due to the condensation, tilting and connecting with the higher pressure steam in the boiler. As the tank is placed above the water line with checks to temporarily shut off the heating system, the water seeks its level in the boiler. When empty, the tank tilts back and an air valve relieves the residual pressure, shutting off the boiler steam. The pressure in the heating system forces in another charge and the operation is repeated.

The same arrangement may be used for kitchen fixtures and high pressure drips on power plants, returning the condensation direct to a high pressure boiler. The circuit being sealed, it is very economical.

17*g*. Hot Water Heating in Connection with Condensing Reciprocating Engines.—It is possible to operate a hot water heating system with partial vacuum on a reciprocating engine but the range in vacuum and steam rate is not very great, due to the necessary changes in compression. The valves have to be set differently for condensing and for non-condensing. There are engines provided with facilities so the valve rods may be changed quickly but there has been serious objection to this practice. The best method is to operate the engine on say 10 to 26 in. of vacuum and use additional live steam for the remainder of the heating requirements.

Engines for this purpose should not have too large a ratio of cylinders as they are apt to be unable to carry the load on reduced vacuum; thus economy has to be sacrificed in summer due to engine design in order to utilize exhaust steam in winter.

Many cases have arisen where steam has been tapped from the receiver between the high and low pressure cylinders. This will give good results if the engine is not too heavily loaded but just as soon as the receiver pressure drops, the interference is serious. There have been cases where reducing valve connections have been made to the receiver to help out the heavy intermittent draft for other purposes. It is obvious that this steam should be taken direct rather than by this method; the amount of steam generally that can be bled at this point is about the difference in steam rate between non-condensing and full vacuum, or about 25% of the engine's minimum full load requirements. The Bleeder turbine exhausting steam from between the stages involves the same principles.

17*h*. Combined Heating and Power.—It is generally admitted that when current may be purchased at rates below 1.5 c. per kilowatt-hour, that exhaust steam heating combined with power generation is questionable as a paying investment.

The heating system is a dissipator of heat and no steam engine utilizes more than 15% of the heat of the fuel for actual power, the balance being discharged into a lake or pond in the process of producing a low terminal pressure and high vacuum.

Reciprocating engines for electric power generaton due to low speed, space required, and costliness, are being rapidly displaced by the small turbo-generator with high speed and vacuum although this machine is exceedingly uneconomical under non-condensing operation.

Heating is required about 8 months of the year and while exhaust steam heating would prove profitable during that period, additional condensing equipment would be required for summer operation to maintain the economy and prevent the loss in summer of the saving in winter.

The requirements of an economical combined heating and power generating system may be stated as follows:

(1) Power cannot be generated under non-condensing conditions in competition with the public service plant with either reciprocating engines or turbines, due to the constant steam power rate.

(2) In all cases the engine must of necessity deliver its full rated power load whether there is a heat balance or not.

(3) This means an almost constant quantity of exhaust steam due to the fixed terminal pressure at which it must be used on any steam system.

(4) The heating and power can only balance at one outside temperature as the heating requirements will vary from 100% in zero weather to less than 50% in moderate weather. Live steam will be required in colder periods and steam will be wasted to the atmosphere during the warmer periods. Therefore a variable steam rate for power is required to balance the heating and maintain the constant power load if the combination is to be a paying investment.

(5) The turbo-generator under variable vacuums has a steam rate varying 100% between no vacuum and full vacuum, and hot water forced circulation enables steam temperatures below atmosphere to be used, whereby the variation of the vacuum so produced at the exhaust outlet of the turbo-generator will cause the proper variation in the steam power rate. Therefore, the condensing turbo-generator and forced hot water heating system have all the essential features for an economical combined heating and power system.

The same economical and low cost condensing turbo-generator is employed that is used by the public service companies, with high vacuum at all times summer and winter when heating is not required. When heating is required, the heating system takes its portion of the condensing load, the variable vacuum producing the variable steam power rate, constant power load, and perfect heat balance. Thus a maximum power recovery is obtained from the heating fuel.

17*i*. Evans' "Vacuo" Hot Water Heating System Combined with Power.—The writer has perfected a system of vacuum control on which letters patent are about to be issued, whereby the vacuum on a condensing turbo generator may be varied at will from 3-lb. back pressure to 28 in. of vacuum, independent of the power or heating loads without stopping the machine or opening the relief valve.

The system has been in operation for several years in a large railway terminal in the East and the relations given are from actual test data, and are therefore reliable.

The saving of 70% in steam as indicated, is not dependent on skill of operation, but is inherent in the physics of the problem. It is one of the easiest means of conserving the fuel of community at a profit by utilizing the heating fuel, steam, and boilers for combined power generation. It is applicable to any heating plant of over 500-hp. capacity in zero weather, such as office buildings, factories, or institutions, as long as there is use for the available electric power during the period the heating system operates.

The arrangement enables the plant to be placed on a proper accounting basis whereby all heat and current can be metered and apportioned according to different departments and operations.

There is a large plant known to the writer wasting about $100 per day in exhaust steam from two non-condensing nozzle turbines used as auxiliaries for a turbo-generator whose entire steam load does not aggregate twice the steam these auxiliaries require. By purchasing 200 hp. in motors, this waste could be eliminated, yet this condition has continued several years.

All fuel and power plant expense is lumped and divided by the number of units per day of the manufactured article. There is a very large machine shop receiving power and heat belonging to a subsidiary company manufacturing presses for outside customers. This expense is all lumped in the articles manufactured by the main plant. They actually do not know what it costs only in a very general way or where the expense should be charged.

Diagram 7 was deduced from an actual problem and reduced to percentages for convenience. If a plant used 100,000 lb. of steam per hr. in zero weather for heating, and a steam rate of 16 lb. per kw-hr. could be obtained

with 200-lb. initial pressure and 28 in. of vacuum, the average steam rate, hourly power load, and total recovery would be respectively 16 lb. × 140% = 22.4 lb., $\frac{100{,}000}{16} \times 45.3\% = 2800$ kw. load average, and 2800 × 4900 hr. = 13,720,000 kw.-hr. × 1.2c = $164,640 per heating season of 8 mo. If plant operates 12 hr. instead of 24 hr., the saving would be ½ or $82,320. If the turbine condenser and plant cost $50 per kw. for 6000 kw., the investment would be $300,000, or the debt on the plant would be amortized in less than 2 or 4 yr. This same turbine

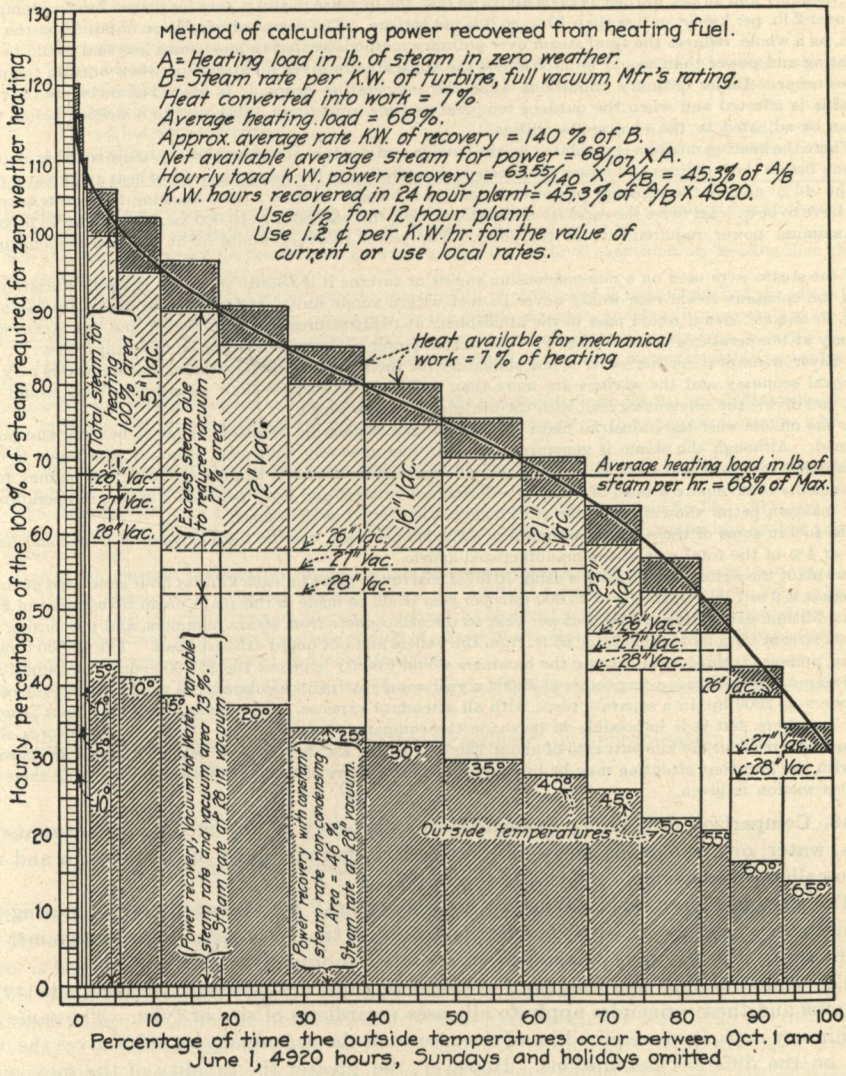


DIAGRAM 7.—Relative fuel saving and mechanical power recovery from the heating plant under condensing and non-condensing operation.

and condenser is available for power under full vacuum in summer and there would be no idle heating boilers in summer to be covered by interest and depreciation. If boiler operation and fuel is 0.7¢ per kw.-hr. and it costs 1.2¢ per kw.-hr. to purchase current, the summer power load would involve a saving of 0.5¢ per kw.-hr. in addition.

The 7% area is the actual heat converted into mechanical energy, the 27% area the increase in steam rate due to the reduction in vacuum during colder periods of higher circulating temperatures. The ordinates are the hourly percentages of the 100% of steam required for zero weather heating. The abscissas are relative percentages

of time the different outdoor temperatures occur from the weather bureau reports. The 73% area represents the power recovery in pounds of steam at full vacuum or the saving is 73% of the heating steam.

The lines 26 in., 27 in., and 28 in., are the increases in steam due to apparatus design for the lower vacuums which show the more economical the power machine the less the saving in fuel by utilizing exhaust steam for heating. In this case, the cost of utilizing 75% of the heating in exhaust steam is 30% of the power, or ⅓ live steam has to be added to utilize exhaust steam for the heating.

Note the actual variation of the power load is slight. It is constant for 57% of the time (lines 26 in., 27 in., 28 in. vacuum) and in the warmer periods above 45 deg. the increase in steam rate for proper heating temperature is not over 2 lb. per kw-hr. or less than 10%, so it is not serious. The degree of regulation obtained on the heating system, as a whole, reduces the total steam over ordinary methods so that in most cases less coal would be burned for heating and power than would be used where the apparatus receives no attention, when outside temperature changes occur. Under ordinary conditions when the temperature drops, it is several hours before the rooms or apparatus is affected and when the outdoor temperature rises, sometimes a day or two is needed before the system can be adjusted to the changed condition.

Where the heating medium is regulated by the outside temperature at a central point, these weather changes are met long before the buildings and rooms are affected, thus tending to the economical use of heat and greater comfort.

The 46% area is the recovery of power by use of a bleeder turbine. This machine to operate successfully would have to be at least twice the capacity of the steam bled, this case 8000 to 10,000 kw., and might be larger than the maximum power requirements of the plant. The power recovery would be at the non-condensing steam rate.

If the steam were used on a non-condensing engine or turbine it is readily seen that the wide variation in load due to the constant steam rate would never be met with a single unit. If the average load were balanced, at 30-deg. F. outside, steam would pass to the atmosphere at temperatures above 30 deg. F. and live steam would be necessary at temperatures below 30 deg. F. The actual power recovery would not be more than 25%.

River or natural cooling water is not obligatory for the success of this system, as cooling towers may be used with equal economy and the savings are more than sufficient to warrant their adoption. They would operate 12 mo. and divide the condensing load with the heating system in winter.

In the middle west the industrial plant situation is in a deplorable condition as far as heating and power are concerned. Although the steam is generated from the fuel generally with good economy, the waste is criminal when applied to power and heating. The policy of the manufacturers is against spending any money for plant improvements that require a term of years to amortize the interest and principal with a saving in operation. The money makes a better showing with the stockholders distributed as dividends.

The fuel in some of these plants amounts to $250,000 per year, but the total expense of power and heating is only 3 or 4% of the total cost of the manufactured article.

One plant the writer investigated is using 10 lb. of coal in the plant for each kilowat hour generated at times and the average is 6 or 7 lb. A saving of 25,000 tons per year could be made in this plant on an investment of $500,000 It is in addition, exhausting 12,000 tons per year to the atmosphere from steam hammers, and purchasing $65,000 worth of current for a motor generator 20 ft. from the boilers and out board exhaust head. The 12,000 tons of coal on a low pressure turbine after leaving the hammers would exactly wipe out the $65,000 current expenditure with no fuel to purchase. This saving totals $250,000 a year conservatively calculated and would cut out the operation of 5 boilers or 2000 hp. in a separate plant with all attendant expense. The operation of this plant is notorious among engineers, but it is impossible to persuade the company to take action. Their yearly records showed a continuous increase in the kilowatt rate of about 1 lb. of coal per kw.-hr. per year with an increase in power load. It is with the idea that attention may be brought to manufacturers of the possibilities of remedying these wastes, that this section is given.

18. Comparison of Heating Systems.—The efficiency of any medium of transmission as steam, water, or air depends solely on the physical characteristics of the medium and not on any so-called trade name.

The universal question of "What is the best system" may be answered by stating that a building can be heated with equal satisfaction by any of the methods, and any system may prove unsatisfactory if it is designed, installed, or operated improperly.

The same building was used as a problem to work out different methods and types of apparatus and these principles apply to all cases regardlesss of size or type. The same boiler and chimney capacity is required in all the cases and the accompanying table gives the results based on the different assumptions. However, the greater the rapidity of the movement of the fluid through the boiler, the less heating surface required for the same capacity.

The conclusions drawn from the table and problem may be stated as follows:

1. Radiation has nothing to do with the size of the boiler unless accompanied by the temperature of the room and the medium. The heat loss of the building is the actual work to be accomplished.

2. The cost of the plant depends on the amount of radiation which in turn is determined by the average temperature of the steam or water. The lower the working temperature, the more costly the plant.

3. There is practically no difference in the use of steam or water as far as temperatures are concerned and the limits of their application, except that water has a lower and wider temperature range than steam.

Schedule	Type and system	Pressure (lbs.)	Average temp. (deg. F.)	Drop in temp. (deg. F.)	Water passed through boiler (cu. ft. per hr.)	Surface (sq. ft.)	Size of main (in.)
"C"	Low pressure steam overhead and from below	5	227	..	25.6	5310	5
"A"	Gravity hot water Piping from below coils		210	30	860	5465	6
"A'"	Forced hot water overhead		210	20	1300	5725	3
"B"	Gravity hot water overhead		170	25	1015	8244	8

4. Raising the pressure on a steam system increases the carrying capacity very rapidly due to the increased density of the steam (from atmospheric pressure to 10 lb., it is increased about 30%).

5. Size and lack of capacity (in the chimney) are more often the cause of unsatisfactory heating than the type of system (see chimney, boiler, radiation).

6. In all mechanically circulated water systems the rapidity of circulation is independent of the temperatures of the medium. This is not true of gravity circulation, as the height of system and drop in temperature are factors in the determination of the velocity. The average heating temperature is effected as the drop is increased.

7. All mechanically circulated water systems are independent of all grades or distances, as the power is applied externally.

8. The wider the possible range in *average temperature* of the heating medium, the better regulation and possible economy. Moderate temperatures below 210 deg. F. are the most desirable working temperatures for both steam and water.

9. Air removal is necessary for all steam systems, either through the return with the condensation or through a separate air line. Mechanical methods by pumps are the most satisfactory.

10. The thermostatic traps required on all vacuum systems require cleaning periodically. This is a considerable item in the upkeep of this type of system. Their initial cost should be an item of comparison as they are absent on hot water systems.

11. Due to the constant temperature of the medium on steam systems, risers and mains necessitate the use of covering. This is unnecessary on water systems where the medium for the entire system may be changed in temperature to suit outdoor requirements thereby lowering the required temperature of the circulating medium. Covering is sometimes used to prevent the discoloration of plaster due to dirt collecting along the line of pipe due to convection and movement of air caused by the heated pipe.

19. Selection of a Heating System.—The selection of a system of heating for a building or group resolves itself into two parts:

1. The type of heating surface whether direct, indirect, or a combination of the two.
2. The medium of transmission—water or steam.

(*a*) Gravity circulation { Hot water / Vapor steam

(*b*) Mechanical circulation { Mechanical vacuum system / Forced hot water

As either medium may be used with any or all types of heating surface, the latter being determined by the utilitarian purpose of the building, or arbitrarily by the desires of the owner, the engineer is mainly concerned with the type of transmission system.

This should be decided entirely on the basis of comparative first cost of installation and operating expense. Where the items are nearly balanced the choice may hinge on other minor disadvantages or advantages of water or steam (liability to damage from bursting or freezing) concerning possible accidental damage which occurs seldom and is generally due to ignorance or careless manipulation.

Consideration of this type of objection should be from the viewpoint of the actuary. The reductions in operating or first cost should be weighed against the probability of the amount of damage occurring over a term of years.

In small plants where the boiler is in direct circuit, either vapor steam or gravity will work out about equally advantageous, until the plant reaches about 3000 sq. ft. capacity. Then forced hot water with a pump and boiler directly in the circuit deserve consideration. The larger the capacity of the plant, the greater the advantage in the first cost of the forced hot water system.

The vacuum valves and their upkeep should be balanced against the pump and cost of current in arriving at a decision.

TABLE 20A.—APPROXIMATE RELATIONS OF OPERATING AND INSTALLATION COSTS OF DIFFERENT METHODS OF HEATING BUILDINGS

Type of building	1 Hot air furnace	2 Gravity indirect Low pressure steam	3 Hot blast fan system High pressure steam	4 Low pressure steam—one pipe air line	5 Vapor steam—2 pipe with gravity air removal	6 Vacuum steam—mechanical air removal—2 pipe	7 High pressure steam—for long distance mains Direct radiation with 10 lb. or vacuum steam	8 Gravity hot water closed system—210 deg. av. temp.	9 Gravity hot water open system—170 deg. av. temp.	10 Forced hot water—boiler in circuit—210 deg. av. temp.	11 Forced hot water heaters for exhaust blowers—direct radiation or both
Residences and small buildings	1	6		2	4			3	5		
2000 sq. ft. or less of direct heating surface —incidental ventilation	A	F		E	D			B	C		
Garages and car barns			3	4	5	6	1			2	
Direct heating surface below grade; trenching and excavation for boiler			C	D	F	E	B			A	
Stores; lofts; office, commercial, and light manufacturing buildings			2	3		5	1			4	
Live steam, direct heating surface, incidental ventilation			C	D		E	B			A	
Factory buildings				1		3					2
Exhaust steam under 300 hp. Direct or indirect with fans				C		B					A
Factory buildings				3		2					1
Exhaust steam over 500 hp. Direct or indirect with fans				C		B					A
Large public buildings requiring ventilation; schools, courts, jails, etc			2 C	4 *E*		5 D	1 B			3 A	
Office and business buildings, skyscrapers				1		3					2
Exhaust steam over 500 hp.—Direct and incidental ventilation				C		B					A
Hospitals and institutions			3	4		5	1			2	
Live steam—Direct radiation and incidental fans for ventilation			E	D		C	B			A	
Hospitals and institutions				2		3					1
Exhaust steam less than 300 hp. heating surface with ventilation direct				C		B					A
Theatres and auditoriums			1	3		4				2	
Ventilation—paramount			A	D		B				C	
Apartments and hotels with isolated plant				2		3					1
Direct heating surface with ventilation				C		B					A
Apartments				2	4	3				1	
No power-plant. Direct heating surface with incidental ventilation				C	D	B				A	

* A, B, C, D, order of costs, "A" minimum operation.
1, 2, 3, 4, 5 order of costs, "1" minimum installation.

In all plants of this character where there is only live steam operation and no exhaust, the operating expense will be about the same, the difference being in the lower first cost of the mechanically circulated water arrangement over the vacuum steam arrangement.

When it is desirous to use exhaust steam for heating at atmosphere up to about 300 hp., and there are no long distances, the vacuum steam is available, without change. Steam boilers have to be substituted for water boilers and additional heaters for exhaust steam added to the forced hot water arrangement.

There is no limit to the size of the building or its purpose that will weigh one way or the other in the decision between water or steam, as these matters are covered in the type of heating surface which would be common to either. First cost and operating expense will determine the best selection.

We come now to groups of buildings heated from a central plant. There are three methods of transmission: (1) High pressure steam with vacuum steam in each building served through a reducing valve, (2) vacuum steam for mains and entire system, and (3) hot water forced circulation.

Institutions where the power load is much less in proportion than the heating requirements, may be handled according to (2) for the nearby buildings utilizing exhaust, and by (1) by those further away.

High pressure steam distribution due to small diameter of main required will prove the most economical method of heat transmission, and by regulating the pressure on a small main and utilizing the drop the steam may be transmitted with a minimum loss of condensed water from the pipe. Exhaust steam, however, cannot be used on a system of this kind.

Low pressure steam, due to the large diameter of pipe necessary and constant operating temperature of the steam, is the most expensive method both for operation and cost of installation. Exhaust steam can only be used at atmospheric pressure or slightly above, and when live steam is necessary at periods of no exhaust, the economy is reduced. Grades have to be carefully observed and traps and drips provided with possibly power pumps to handle the condensation.

Hot water forced circulation enables exhaust steam below atmosphere or live steam to be used with equal facility as no steam is taken outside the power house. The radiation loss from mains is greater than for high pressure steam but not as great as the vacuum steam system. All drips, traps, and vacuum traps are eliminated. Condensing turbines may be used and the power recovery from the heating steam for plants over 500 hp. will make this arrangement preferable over any other by a wide margin and the first cost will be no greater than the vacuum steam and possibly less.

The type of radiation effects the cost independent of the system of transmission as follows:

1. Direct radiation generally costs less for operation and installation than indirect.
2. The lower the temperature of the circulating medium, the more surface and greater cost of any type of radiation.
3. Blowers and direct radiation in conjunction cost somewhat more than either alone, but the flexibility is increased and lower temperatures and more satisfactory heating result, with greater economy in the use of heat.
4. The larger the building or plant, the greater the difference in favor of mechanically circulated systems, both from the standpoint of first cost and operating expense. Table 20A is an attempt to classify what is best and the order in which the combinations will work out both from an operating and installation standpoint. This is the writer's judgment from an experience of many years—the 1, 2, 3, etc., and the A, B, C, etc., respectively give the order of the combination as they increase in cost and operation. The experience and ability of the engineer and contractor have considerable to do with the results and in many cases the order will be reversed. The whole is subject to the foregoing discussion.

VENTILATION

20. Quantity of Air Necessary.—Ventilation consists briefly of all the artificial air conditioning necessary to maintain the air inside of a building in a condition desirable for certain purposes, such as for breathing or for making it suitable for given manufacturing processes, and at such standards as may be regarded as desirable.

The most common form of ventilation is that used to furnish an air supply or an air exhaust for the occupants of a building and to keep the interior air from becoming foul—also remove objectionable odors, such as in kitchens, restaurants, and toilet rooms.

In past years the amount of carbonic acid in the air has been used to determine the comparative degree of purity even though it has been understood that carbonic acid itself is not dangerous. This is because pure air seldom contains over 4 parts of carbonic acid in 10,000, while in exhaled air the number of parts rises rapidly and almost proportionately with the other impurities. Therefore, a statement of the amount of carbonic acid present in a given sample of air, a measurement comparatively easy to make, may also be taken as indicative of the amount of other impurities.

Each person gives off about 0.6 cu. ft. of carbonic acid per hour. If the fresh air entering a room has 4 parts of carbonic acid in 10,000, and the limit in the room is desired to be kept below a certain number of parts, the number of cubic feet per minute per occupant must be not less than as follows:

Limit of parts of carbonic acid in 10,000 parts of air	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Cubic feet of fresh air necessary per minute per occupant	133	67	44	33	27	22	19	17

While these are the theoretical amounts of air required, some consideration must be given to the quantity of air contained in the room at the beginning of its occupancy, and also to the length of time the room is occupied. Thus, a church where the services are short and the volume of fresh air is large at the beginning requires less air for ventilation than a moving picture theater running continuously for 10 hr. a day and usually in more or less cramped quarters. The quantity of air necessary for ventilation is measured in cubic feet per minute per occupant or in changes of air per hour. Table 21 shows the cubic feet per minute (C.F.M.) per occupant or the number of changes of air per hour.

TABLE 21[1]

Room	Supply		Exhaust	
	C.F.M. per occupant	Minimum air changes per hour	C.F.M. per occupant	Minimum air changes per hour
Assembly and convention halls	30	8	30	8
Boiler rooms	..	10	..	none
Engine rooms	..	4 to 6	..	8 to 10
Factories	20 to 30	4	20 to 30	4
Foundries	..	4	..	4
Halls and assemblies	30	8	30	8
Mill buildings	20 to 30	4	20 to 30	4
Offices (outside small)	none	..	none	..
Offices (inside small)	..	6	..	6
Offices (large)	20 to 30	..	20 to 30	..
Private office (large)	..	6	..	6
Private office (small)	..	none	..	none
Public offices (large)	..	4 to 8	..	4 to 8
Public offices (inside small)	..	6	..	6
Public offices (outside small)	..	none	..	none
Public toilet rooms	..	none	..	10
Public waiting rooms	..	4 to 6	..	4 to 6
Pump rooms	..	4 to 6	..	8 to 10
Round houses	..	none	..	12
Toilets	..	4 to 6	..	10
Waiting rooms	none	..	..	4 to 6
Hospitals				
Anesthesia	..	8 (with local control)	..	12
Autopsy	..	4	..	8 to 10
Bakery	..	none	..	10
Bath, toilets, etc	..	none	..	12
Boiler (large)	..	10	..	none
Clothes storage	..	none	..	6
Dairy, meats, etc	..	none	..	8
Dark	..	4	..	6
Delivery	60	8	60	8
Dining	20	6	30	8
Doctors wash	..	none	..	8
Dressing	..	none	..	6
Drying closets	..	none	..	20
Electrotherapeutic	..	6	..	8
Engine	..	4 to 6	..	8 to 10
Examination	..	6	..	6
Gymnasium	30	8	30	8
Hydrotherapeutic	..	6	..	8

[1] From Heating and Ventilating Magazine.

TABLE 21 (*Continued*)

Room	Supply		Exhaust	
	C.F.M. per occupant	Minimum air changes per hour	C.F.M. per occupant	Minimum air changes per hour
Hospitals (Continued)				
Ice making	..	none	..	4 to 6
Instrument (Prep.)	..	none	..	6
Isolation	30 to 60	6	30 to 60	6
Kitchens	..	6 to 8	..	15
Laboratories	..	6	..	8 to 10
Laundry (small)	..	none	..	10
Laundry (large)	..	6 to 8	..	12
Lockers	..	none	..	6 to 10
Machinery	..	4 to 6	..	8 to 10
Marking and sewing	..	none	..	6
Meats, dairy, etc	..	none	..	8
Operating	100	10	100	..
Pantries (serving)	...	none	..	12
Plaster	...	4	..	6
Preparation (inst.)	..	none	..	6
Pus dressing	...	5	..	8
Pump and refrigeration	..	4 to 6	..	8 to 10
Recovery	...	8	..	8
Refrigeration and pump	...	4 to 6	..	8 to 10
Serving pantries	...	none	..	12
Sewing and marking	...	none	..	6
Shops, etc	...	none	..	6
Solarium	..	4	..	4
Slop sink closets	...	none	..	12
Sterilizing room	..	8	..	12
Stores	...	none	..	4
Toilets, baths, etc	...	..	..	12
Utility	...	none	..	12
Waiting	30	6	30	6
Wards (gen'l)	30 to 60	6	30 to 60	6
Wards (contagious)	100	10	100	10
Wash (doctors)	...	none	..	8
Schools				
Auditorium	20 to 30	8	30	8
Board	..	6	..	6
Chemical lab	30	6	30	6
Chemical cabinets	none	none	100 per cabinet	..
Class	30	6	30	6
Coat	none	none	..	8
Commercial	30	6	30	6
Corridors[1]	..	..	..	..
Domestic science	30	6	40	8
Drawing	30	6	30	6
Dress making	30	6	30	6
Forge shop[2]	..	..	..	..
Forges	200 c.f.m.	per forge	400 c.f.m.	per forge
Gymnasium	30	8	30	8
Kitchen for lunch room	..	6 to 8	..	12
Kitchen for cooking class	30	6	50	10
Kitchen (model)	..	6	..	8
Lecture	30	8	30	8
Library	30	7	30	7
Locker	none	none	..	10
Lunch	..	6	..	10
Machine shop	30	6	30	6

TABLE 21. (*Continued.*)

Room	Supply		Exhaust	
	C.F.M. per occupant	Minimum air changes per hour	C.F.M. per occupant	Minimum air changes per hour
(*Schools Continued*)				
Model apartment	..	4 to 6	..	4 to 6
Office—general	..	6	..	6
Office—private	none	none	none	none
Physical laboratory	30	6	30	6
Recitation	30	6	30	6
Shower baths	none	none	..	10
Swimming pool	..	4	..	10
Toilets	none	none	..	10 to 12
Wardrobes	none	none	..	8
Wood working	30	6	40	8
Hotels				
Ball rooms	30	8	30	8
Banquet hall	30	8	30	8
Bathroom (private)	..	none	..	10
Boiler room (large)	..	10	..	none
Dining	30	8	30	8
Engine (large)	..	4 to 6	..	8 to 10
Kitchen	..	6 to 8	..	15
Laundry	..	6 to 8	..	12
Locker room	..	none	..	10
Pump room (large)	..	4 to 6	..	8 to 10
Toilets (main)	..	none	..	12
Toilets (private)	..	none	..	10
Libraries				
Administration center	..	6	..	6
Book rooms	30	6	30	6
Galleries (public)	..	4	..	4
Galleries (picture)	..	4	..	4
Lecture rooms	30	8	30	8
Locker rooms	..	none	..	10
Lobbies (large buildings)	..	8	..	none
Museums	..	4	..	4
Reading rooms	30	6	30	6
Stack room	..	none	..	4
Toilet rooms	..	none	..	10
Churches				
Auditorium	20	..	20	..
Banquet	30	8	30	8
Coat and locker	none	..	..	..
Sunday School	30	..	30	..
Social rooms	30	8	30	8
Toilets	..	none	none	8 to 10
Theatres				
Auditorium	30	..	30	..
Lobbies	..	10	..	
Retiring rooms	..	4	..	4
Smoking rooms	..	6	..	10 to 12
Toilets	..	none	..	8 to 10

[1] Air supply to corridors should be 4 changes per hour or enough additional to be sufficient to counterbalance the excess of exhaust from all rooms connected to corridors where there is no air supply or where the supply is less than the exhaust.

[2] The air supply to a forge room should be not less than 30 C.F.M. per occupant and should be increased to make up any unbalanced condition occurring when the forges are all running, each being supplied with 200 C.F.M. air blast and 400 C.F.M. forge exhaust.

21. Methods of Ventilation.—There are three general methods of accomplishing ventilation: (1) The supply of fresh air at 70 deg. F. with slight increase in temperature furnishing the necessary heating increment and the exhaustion of an equal amount by means of fans; (2) exhaust ventilation only, depending on chance inlets for a replacement; and (3) the supply of fresh air with either gravity vent flues or none at all. Obviously the first is preferable from a standpoint of efficiency and results.

22. Position of Inlets and Outlets.—It has been found that the most suitable position for the air inlets and outlets in class rooms of schools is in a cross wall at right angles to the outside wall of buildings. The inlet should be as near the inside wall as practicable, about 10 ft. from the floor, and the outlet near the outside wall at the floor level. The air will than pass along the inner wall, returning along the outside wall to the vent flue.

There has been considerable controversy in the past as to the best position of inlets and outlets for ventilating systems. The question is purely one of temperature, the colder air (whether foul or fresh) seeking the lower level, always in proportion to its relative temperature and weight. This temperature will be governed somewhat by the volume of entering air, in proportion to the cubic contents of the room and the temperature of the air in the room. If the change of air in the room is sufficiently often to prevent a rise in temperature inside the room, there will be but small difference in the weight and temperature of the contained air and the incoming air. If the air change is such that there is a considerable difference in temperature of the entering air and the air contained in the room, the entering air will fall to the floor, due to its greater density if at a lower temperature. Cold air and hot air will not mix until diffusion with interchange of heat has had time to take place.

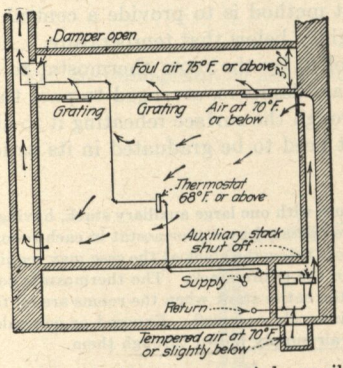


FIG. 21.—Auditorium occupied, auxiliary stack inoperative, damper open, top ventilation necessary.

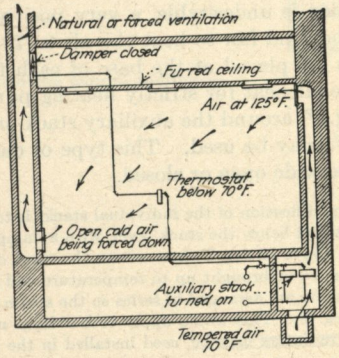


FIG. 22.—Bottom ventilation only required when heating unoccupied auditorium, top damper closed, auxiliary stack operating.

If these facts are carefully considered, the proper position of outlets can be predetermined. In all problems involving large assemblages of people, the object is to cool the room rather than to heat the space, due to the amount of heat supplied by the audience.

In the ventilation of auditoriums, whether fan or gravity is used, the foul air must be removed at the top due to its extreme temperature after a period of operation, as the temperature may be as high as 100 or 120 deg. F.

Figs. 21 and 22 show the arrangement used for ventilating and heating several large court rooms in an eastern city, and show why top ventilation is needed when the auditorium is occupied, and why the top outlet should be closed when the room is being heated. This is true of all auditoriums, as when heating alone is desired, the entering air must be warmer and lighter than the air in the room and the outlets should be at the bottom. When the occupants exhale air and bodily heat is radiated, the foul air of any room containing a large number of people in proportion to the cubic contents is lighter than the incoming air, and the outlets should be at the ceiling. For a perfect system, both top and bottom ventilation should be provided.

A register at the top of the room should automatically close when the room is below the temperature of the incoming air, and open when conditions are reversed. The register may be operated in conjunction with automatic heat control on direct radiation in the room, or on the auxiliary stack in the fresh air supply.

In schools the size of the ordinary class room, the frequent air change required prevents any wide difference in temperature in the room, and the top register is generally dispensed with. The best practice is to heat the room by direct radiation, independent of the air supply, especially during sessions.

23. Preheating Air for Ventilation.

23*a*. Double Duct System.—This method of heating and ventilation involves a double duct system, one for tempered air and one for hot air, the two being mixed at the base of the supply flue by means of a mixing damper controlled by a thermostat in the room. There is also heat control at the fan for both tempered and hot air. The method is complicated and should be avoided. The reasons for this are as follows: The rooms are located different distances from the fan, with different conditions existing in the rooms, the thermostat in the room is expected to set the mixing damper so as to proportion a mixture of tempered and hot air with varying temperature differences. With the losses in ducts, different requirements in the rooms not accounting the fact that the conditions in any case may be reversed, it would be impossible to obtain any accurate adjustment of the system.

This system has been tried again and again without success in the last 40 yr. regardless of many claims to the contrary. There are simpler methods wherein the variables are under control to a greater extent.

23*b*. Combination Direct and Indirect System.—The heating may be accomplished by a separate direct heating system with sufficient radiation to counterbalance the wall and glass losses. The temperature may be maintained about 10 to 15 deg. below 70 deg. F. when the room is unoccupied. This is more economical than using the fan system during periods when the rooms are unoccupied, as in schools. All fan systems require excessive boiler power in zero weather although the requirements are somewhat below that of direct radiation in moderate weather. Automatic heat control should be provided in connection with properly designed and operated ventilation system.

23*c*. Individual or Centralized Auxiliary Stacks.—For buildings where direct radiation is undesirable, a very positive and efficient method is to provide a central heating chamber and fan to heat the air to 70 deg. F. or slightly below that temperature. Auxiliary stacks are placed at the base of each flue and controlled by the room thermostat to provide additional heat for strictly heating purposes. By-pass dampers, arranged to pass the air at 70 deg. F. around the auxiliary stack or to pass it through the surface reheating it to above 70 deg. F. may be used. This type of damper does not need to be graduated in its action as it may be wide open or closed.

A modification of the individual stacks is to group several flues with one large auxiliary stack, having the wall chase extend below the stack level, with a damper arranged to be operated by a thermostat in each room so as to take air above 70 deg. F. from above the stack or at 70 deg. F. from below the stack as the case may require. The last room to be brought up to temperature will have the power of the entire stack. The thermostats controlling the dampers are arranged in series so the steam is shut off from the entire stack when the rooms are all taking air at 70 deg. F. This would apply to buildings more or less continuously occupied. Exposed or concealed direct type of radiators may be used installed in the rooms with the air supply blown through them.

24. Theaters and Auditoriums.—A very cheap and successful method of ventilating theaters and churches with high ceilings and places where large numbers of people congregate intermittently, is as follows: Place a large ventilator, with as little resistance as possible, on the roof and provide it with a damper thermostatically controlled to shut off when heating is required and the place is unoccupied. Provide the fan and heater with a series of outlets at a fairly high level where convenient space may be had with automatic heat control on the heating stacks. The thermostats should be operated by the incoming air which should be about 65 deg. F. if the inlets are high enough.

The roof ventilator damper may be controlled by the room temperature, the higher the position of the thermostat, the higher the temperature at which it should be set. When the audience has assembled, more than sufficient heat will be supplied to operate the thermostat, and the vitiated air will pass out of the roof ventilator. The fresh air will fall gradually, due to its weight, and diffuse without perceptible draft. Some experiment and observation is necessary in each individual case to properly set the thermostat. If properly proportioned and adjusted, this system will give excellent satisfaction.

Fig. 23 shows an economical and efficient method of ventilating a moving picture theater. Many of these have an exhaust fan at the rear, but little or no provision for fresh air supply. A supply of fresh air is more important than is the removal of the foul air. With only the exhaust system there can be no real certainty from where the air is coming. If fresh air is forced into a building with power, there is greater certainty that it will reach the points intended. In all of this class of work both air supply and air exhaust should be provided, so there will be

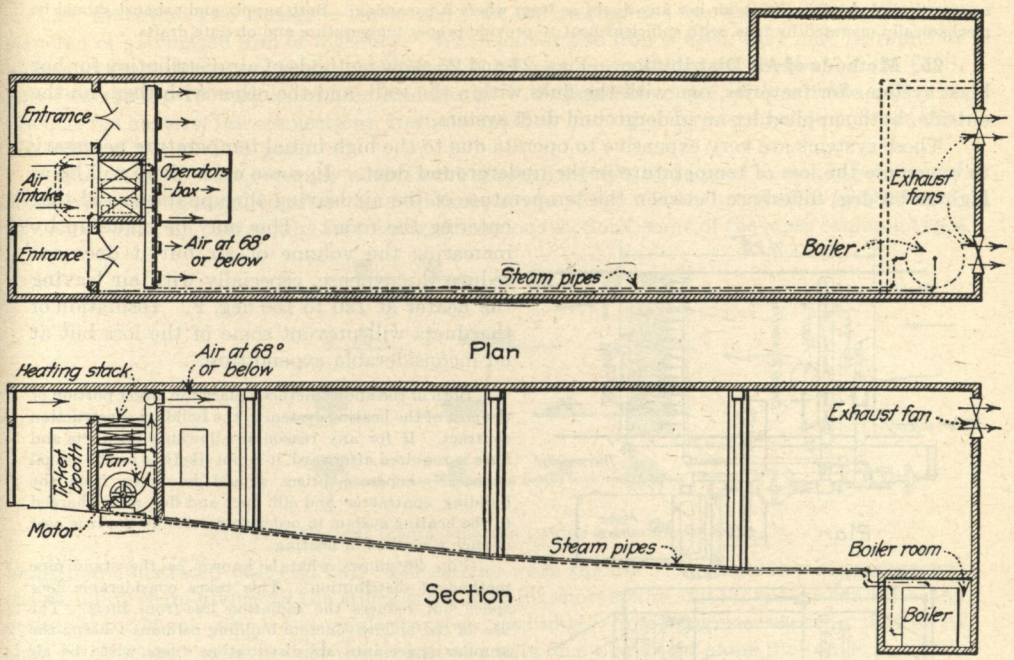


FIG. 23.—Arrangement for heating and ventilation of moving picture auditorium.

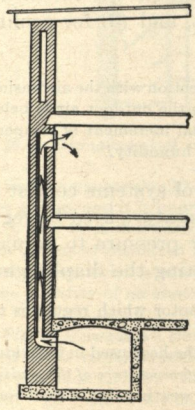


FIG. 24.—Hot air heating flues within building walls.

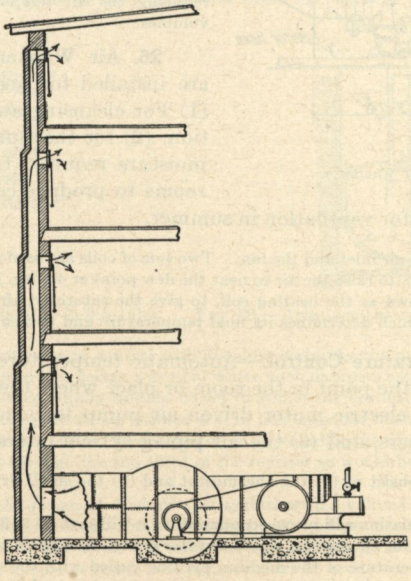


FIG. 25.—Hot air heating flues outside building walls.

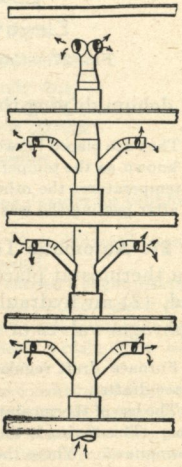


FIG. 26.—Hot air heating, standpipe method.

no question of obtaining fresh air nor any doubt as from where it is coming. Both supply and exhaust should be mechanically operated by fans, with sufficient heat to provide proper temperature and obviate drafts.

25. Methods of Air Distribution.—Figs. 24 and 25 show methods of air distribution for hot blast systems for factories, one with the flues within the wall, and the other with them on the outside, both supplied by an underground duct system.

These systems are very expensive to operate due to the high initial temperature necessary to overcome the loss of temperature in the underground duct. In some cases there will be as high as 60 deg. difference between the temperature of the air leaving the apparatus and that entering the room. This may be made up by increasing the volume of air but it does not reduce the expense, especially with air leaving the heater at 120 to 150 deg. F. Insulation of the ducts will prevent some of the loss but at no inconsiderable expenditure.

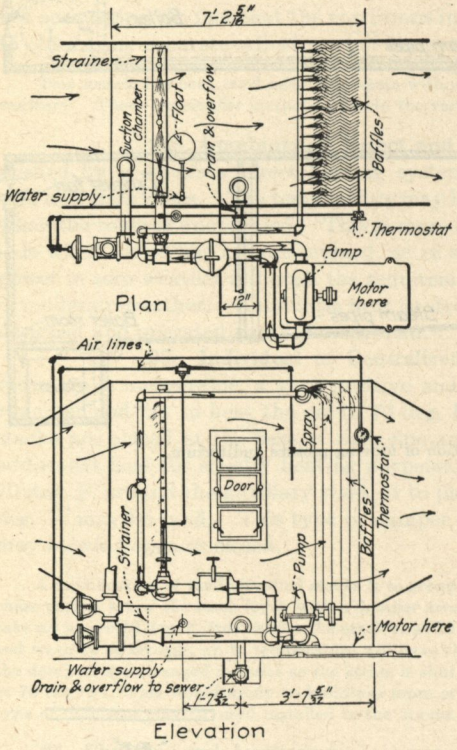


FIG. 27.—Carrier air washer.

Both of the above methods place the larger portion of the cost of the heating system in the building construction contract. If for any reason an allowance for ducts and flues is required afterward, it is not likely to be the actual expense. Separate prices should be taken from the building contractor and all duct and flue work charged to the heating system in order to determine the true cost of such a method of heating.

Fig. 26 shows what is known as the stand pipe method of distribution. This takes considerable floor space but reduces the radiation loss from ducts. The use of the hollow concrete building columns making the annular space into air distributing ducts with the air supply from above and the fans on the roof, makes a very desirable and economical arrangement.

Where only fan heating or indirect radiation is used, a large part of the air supply temperature is absorbed by the masonry, overheating the upper floors while the first two floors are cold. A combination of direct radiation, as hereinafter described, will obviate this difficulty by reducing the air temperature as well as the required volumes.

26. Air Washers.—Air washers (Fig. 27) are installed for one or all of three purposes: (1) For cleansing and washing air for ventilation, (2) for the humidification or adding the moisture required to condition the air in the rooms to produce comfort, and (3) for cooling and dehumidifying the air for ventilation in summer.

They are placed between the air inlet and the fan. Two sets of coils are used in connection with the air washer, one, known as the tempering coil, to raise the air to near the dew point or 40 deg. F. when the outdoor air is below this temperature; the other, known as the heating coil, to give the saturated air the final increment of temperature after passing the washer, which determines its final temperature and percentage of humidity.

27. Automatic Temperature Control.—Automatic temperature control systems consist of (1) a thermostat placed at the point in the room or place where the temperature is to be regulated, (2) an hydraulic or electric motor driven air pump to furnish air pressure to actuate diaphragm valves or dampers, and (3) the air piping sytsem interconnecting the diaphragms.

Furnace draft regulators consist of (1) the thermostat and (2) the small dry cell motor which regulates the furnace drafts.

The use of thermostatic regulation will prove economical as it will save 25 to 30 % of the heat used in individual rooms. This saving is the same for all systems whether water or steam, *where a constant temperature of the medium is maintained.* Where the temperature of the medium may be varied with the outside weather, individual room regulation may be dispensed with. On indirect systems in connection with heating air, it is indispensable for controlling the temperatures if economical and satisfactory results are to be obtained.

28. Duct and Fan Design.—Ducts and flues for heating and ventilating are usually constructed of galvanized iron or masonry. When galvanized iron is used, they may be round or oblong in shape and are often built of No. 24 U. S. gage up to 350 sq. in. of area, No. 22 U. S. gage from 351 to 1200 sq. in. of area, and No. 20 U. S. gage above this, with suitable stiffeners. Casings for heaters, fan connections, fresh air intakes, and other large compartments are usually built of No. 18 U. S. gage.

Ducts and flues are generally made in the shape of sections and joined up on the job, special connections being installed after the main lines are in place. There are various methods employed by different contractors for joining the various sections, some of the more common types

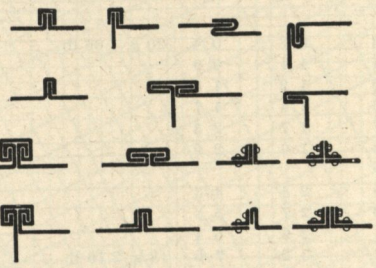


FIG. 28.—Methods of stiffening and locking seams for air ducts.

being here illustrated (see Fig. 28). For smaller work the use of an angle iron is unnecessary, the standing seam giving all the stiffness required for short spans, but for spans over 4 ft.—and certainly for spans over 6 ft.—angle irons are desirable. Some engineers specify that ducts shall be stiffened "so as to bear the weight of a man on a plank laid along the top at any location selected." Flat seams are little used in good work unless the size of the pipe is 12 in. or ess. .

Round pipes from a purely efficiency standpoint, are always the best, the amount of metal required to furnish a given amount of air at a given velocity being less and the friction or resistance to the passage of the air also being reduced. In factories, shops, and other industrial buildings, round ducts and flues are the rule; in better classes of buildings, where space is at a premium, square or rectangular flues are used almost exclusively. The length of the long side of a rectangular flue should never be more than three times the length of the short side unless absolutely unavoidable.

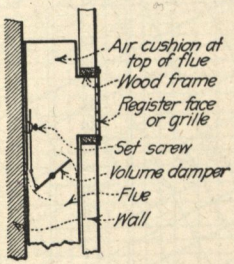


FIG. 29.—Arrangement of volume damper in flue inlet.

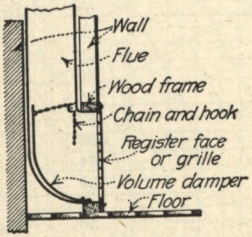


FIG. 30.—Arrangement of volume damper for vent flue.

Volume papers should be placed so as to control with absolute certainty the quantity of air delivered to each outlet or inlet and it is impractical to try to design a system where such dampers are not needed.

In Fig. 29 is illustrated an up-feed supply system outlet in which the vertical flue is carried a slight distance above the top of the outlet in order to form an air cushion and to help equalize the air flow across the register face. This distance, which is usually made 8 to 12 in., does not absolutely equalize the air flow but tends to prevent such a large quantity of air shooting out through the top third of the register as would be the case if a plain elbow were used.

Fig. 30 illustrates a similar outlet for an up-feed exhaust system with a volume damper consisting of a piece of curved sheet metal riveted to the flue at the bottom and hooked to the proper position at the top by means of the chain and hook shown. The spring of the metal will hold this damper tightly in its proper place after being adjusted. To operate this damper, a hinged or removable register must be used and, for this reason, some engineers prefer controlling air in the flue from a damper located in the horizontal duct connecting to the top of the flue.

Table 22 gives gages and proper weight for galvanized-iron duct systems.

TABLE 22.—PROPER GAGES AND WEIGHTS OF ROUND G. I. PIPE AND ELBOWS FOR DUCT SYSTEMS

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Gage and weight per square foot	Diam. of pipe (in.)	Weight per lineal foot (lb.)	Weight of full ell (lb.)	Gage and weight per square foot	Diam. of pipe (in.)	Weight per lineal foot (lb.)	Weight of full ell (lb.)
28 g. 0.78 lb.....	3	0.7	0.4	20 g. 1.66 lb.....	38	18.2	139.4
	4	1.1	0.9		39	18.7	146.0
	5	1.2	1.2		40	19.1	152.9
	6	1.4	1.7		41	19.6	160.7
	7	1.7	2.3		42	20.1	168.6
	8	1.9	2.9		43	20.6	176.7
26 g. 0.91 lb.....	9	2.4	4.3		44	21.0	185.0
	10	2.7	5.3		45	21.5	193.4
	11	2.9	6.4		46	22.0	202.2
	12	3.2	7.6	18 g. 2.16 lb.....	47	29.2	274.3
	13	3.4	8.9		48	29.8	286.6
	14	3.7	10.4		49	30.4	298.8
25 g. 1.03 lb.....	15	4.5	13.5		50	31.0	309.9
	16	4.7	15.1		51	31.6	322.5
	17	5.0	17.0		52	32.2	335.1
	18	5.3	19.1		53	33.0	349.7
	19	5.6	21.4		54	33.6	363.4
	20	6.0	23.9		55	34.4	377.2
24 g. 1.16 lb.....	21	7.0	29.6		56	34.9	390.7
	22	7.3	32.3		57	35.6	405.1
	23	7.7	35.6		58	36.1	418.8
	24	8.0	38.6		59	36.7	433.1
	25	8.3	41.7		60	37.4	448.6
	26	8.7	45.1	16 g. 266 lb.....	61	46.7	569.7
22 g. 1.41 lb.....	27	10.9	59.1		62	47.5	589.0
	28	11.4	64.2		63	48.3	608.6
	29	11.8	68.6		64	49.1	628.5
	30	12.2	73.4		65	49.8	647.4
	31	12.6	78.3		66	50.5	666.6
	32	13.0	83.4		67	51.3	687.4
	33	13.5	88.9		68	52.1	708.6
	34	13.9	94.3		69	52.8	728.6
	35	14.3	99.9		70	53.6	750.4
20 g. 1.66 lb.....	36	17.2	124.4		71	54.3	771.0
	37	17.8	131.4		72	55.1	793.4

In this table the weights include rivets, solder, and due allowance for trimming and laps; the elbows have an integral radius equal to the diameter of the pipe. Rectangular pipes are usually made of same gage as round pipes of equal area.

28*a*. Mechanical Circulation of Air in Ducts.—Diagram 8 shows the friction loss in ducts for hot blast apparatus as recommended by the American Blower Company. Diagram 9 is a generally accepted formula and curves of friction factors for sheet iron ducts. The formula is in feet head of air and can be converted into inches of water by multiplying the result by $\frac{12}{62.4}$ when the result is obtained in feet head of air. Pounds per square foot is the weight per cubic foot of the air at the temperature in question.

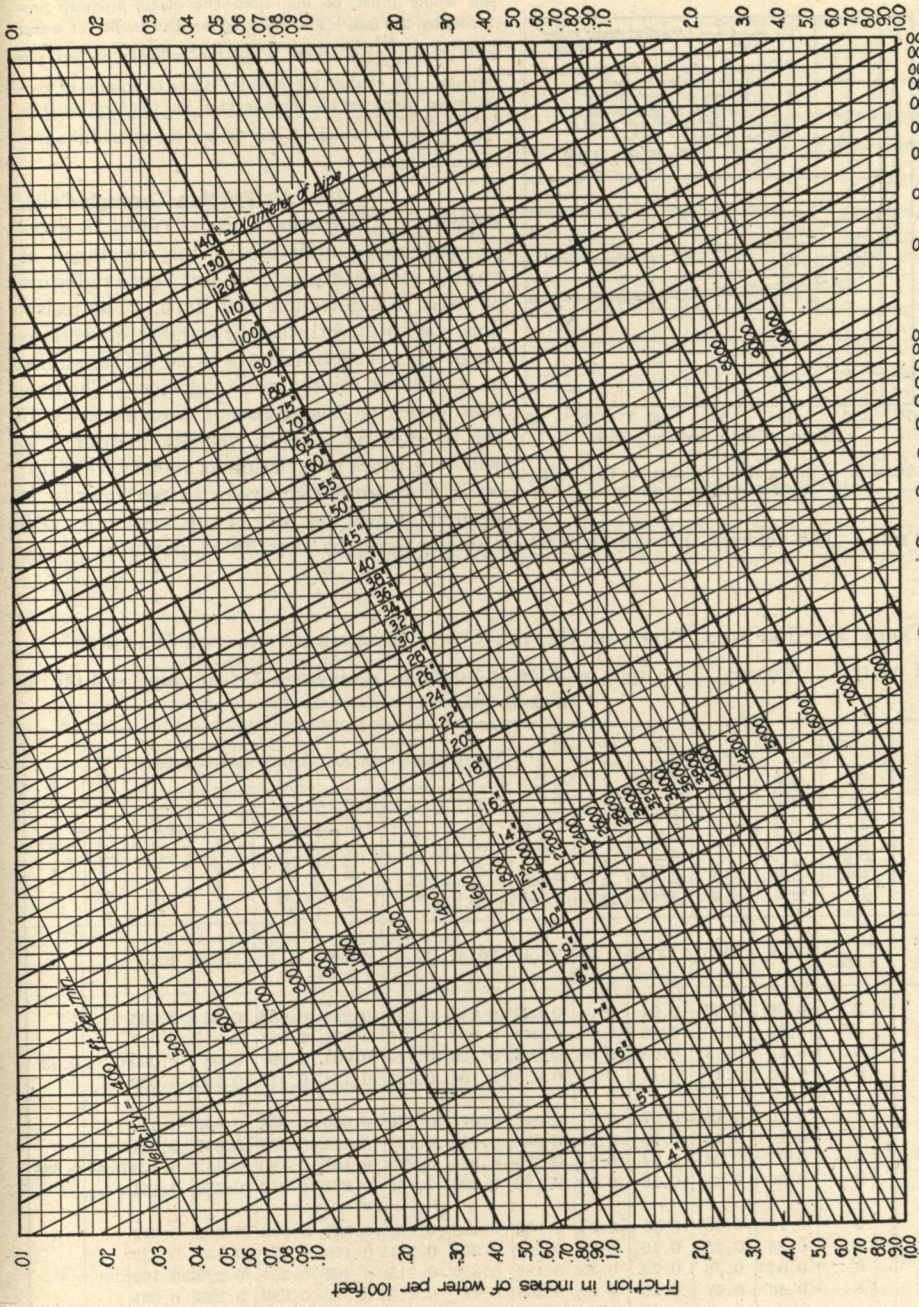


Diagram 8.—Frictional resistance to flow and capacities of air discharge of round sheet iron ducts.

The friction chart gives the results for round pipe velocities and discharge, and friction in inches of water. In figuring a duct system, the velocity head and friction of heaters and air washers has to be taken into account and the whole must be less than the static pressure produced by the fan. The velocity head in inches of water $= h_v = \left(\frac{V^2}{4455.6}\right)$ where V is the velocity in feet per minute. To change the circular ducts to square or rectangular ducts for the same service, use the formula $D = \frac{4 \times A \times B}{2(A + B)}$, in which A and B are the sides of the rectangular duct.

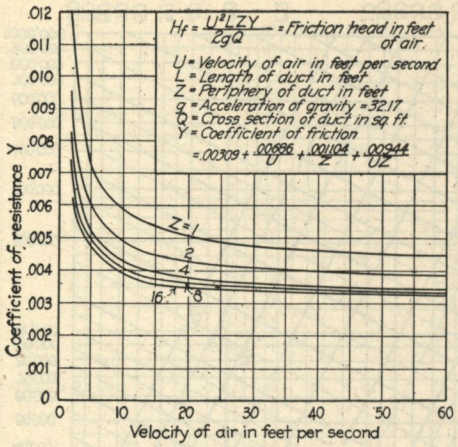


DIAGRAM 9.—Curves of coefficients for friction formula. Flow of air in air ducts.

28b. Air Friction Through Coils, Radiators, Air Washers, Etc.—Table 23 gives a condensed tabulation of the resistance of various standard pipe coils and Vento radiators as used in connection with fans. The resistance varies directly as the number of sections deep,—*i.e.*, 4 sections have twice the resistance as 2 sections for the same velocity. The friction varies as the square of the velocity. If the friction for 2000-ft. velocity is desired, it will be 4 times the friction at 1000-ft. velocity, or if that for 300-ft. velocity per minute is desired, it will be 0.25 of the friction for 600 ft. per min. The velocity through air washers should never be over 700 ft. per min.

TABLE 23.—FRICTION THROUGH HEATER COILS, RADIATORS, AND AIR WASHERS (in. of water). Nominal 1-in. pipe = 1.28 in. outside diameter—1¼-in. pipe = 1.66 in. 4 rows to section

Velocity through free area (ft. per min.)	Number sections deep	Mitre type, 2⅛ in. c. to c., 1-in. pipe.	2⅝ in. c. to c., 1¼-in. pipe.	Return bend heater, 2⅝ in. c. to c., 1-in. pipe.	2¾ in. c. to c., 1-in. pipe.	A. B. C. heater, return bend type, 1-in. pipe.	Vento regular section			Vento narrow section			Webster air washer.	Carrier air washer.
							4⅝ in. c. to c.	5 in. c. to c.	5⅜ in. c. to c.	4⅝ in. c. to c.	5 in. c. to c.	5⅜ in. c. to c.		
f' per sec.	$4P$ = 1 sec.	19.6	21.6	12.33	11.26	18.1	20.5	17.34	14.6	14.3	12.2	10.3		
600	2	0.06	0.06	0.04	0.04	0.022	0.043	0.040	0.034	0.032	0.03	0.026		
	4	0.09	0.09	0.06	0.06	0.044	0.084	0.076	0.064	0.061	0.055	0.047		
	6	0.12	0.13	0.08	0.08	0.066	0.126	0.112	0.094	0.09	0.08	0.069	0.36	0.33
	8	0.15	0.17	0.11	0.11	0.088	0.168	0.149	0.124	0.119	0.105	0.090		
800	2	0.10	0.10	0.07	0.07	0.04	0.077	0.070	0.060	0.058	0.052	0.046		
	4	0.16	0.16	0.10	0.10	0.08	0.150	0.135	0.114	0.109	0.097	0.084		
	6	0.22	0.23	0.14	0.14	0.120	0.224	0.200	0.167	0.160	0.142	0.123	0.64	0.588
	8	0.27	0.30	0.19	0.19	0.160	0.300	0.265	0.221	0.212	0.187	0.161		
1000	2	0.16	0.16	0.11	0.11	0.062	0.120	0.109	0.094	0.090	0.082	0.072		
	4	0.25	0.25	0.16	0.16	0.124	0.235	0.211	0.178	0.171	0.152	0.132		
	6	0.34	0.36	0.23	0.23	0.186	0.350	0.313	0.262	0.251	0.223	0.192		
	8	0.43	0.47	0.29	0.29	0.248	0.47	0.415	0.346	0.332	0.293	0.251		

Friction varies as the square of the velocity.
Friction varies directly as the number of stacks deep.
Multiply by 5.19 to change to pounds per square foot.

Table 24 shows the general practice as to the assumed velocities of air through ducts for different classes of work.

Table 25 is an equalization table for pipe sizes for duct work and is used in the same manner as the one previously given for iron pipes.

TABLE 24.—AIR VELOCITIES THROUGH DUCTS

Velocities in feet per minute	Maximum velocities		Recommended velocities	
	Schools, theaters, churches, and public buildings	Machine shops, foundries and factory buildings	Schools, theaters, churches and public buildings	Machine shops, foundries, and factory buildings
Through fan outlet	2000	2500	1600	2000
Through heater	1400	1800	1000 to 1100	1200 to 1300
Through horizontal ducts	1200	2500	900 to 1000	1200 to 2000
Through vertical risers	750	2000	600	1000 to 1600
Through register or outlets	450	1600	353	600 to 1200
Through intake ducts	1400	1700	1000	1200
Peripheral speed fan wheel	3500	....	2700 to 3000	3000 to 4000

28c. Gravity Circulation.—In figuring ducts for gravity ventilation, the method described in Conrad Meier's "Mechanics of Heating and Ventilation" is used. The formulas are as follows:

Let h = height of flue in feet.
T_f = absolute temperature of flue.
T_o = absolute temperature outside.
P_r = pressure to overcome resistance of construction, in pounds per square foot.
P_f = pressure in pounds per square foot due to friction.
P_v = pressure in pounds per square foot to create velocity.
d = diameter in feet.
c = perimeter in feet.
a = area in square feet.
Q = cubic feet per second at 70 deg. F.
v = velocity in feet per second.

Total pressure created in pounds per square foot:

$$P = 0.075 \left(1 - \frac{530}{T_f}\right) h \text{ for heat flue above 70 deg. F.} \tag{1}$$

Total pressure created in pounds per square foot:

$$P = 0.075 \left(\frac{530}{T_o} - 1\right) h \text{ for vent flues at 70 deg. F.} \tag{2}$$

Pressure in pounds per square foot to overcome friction:

$$P_f = 0.075 \times 0.00624 \frac{(V)^{1.9}}{2g} l \left(\frac{c}{a}\right)^{1.18} \tag{3}$$

Pressure to overcome various resistances:

$$P_r = 0.075 \times 1.25r \frac{(V)^{1.9}}{2g} \quad \text{(lb. per sq. ft.)} \tag{4}$$

Pressure to create velocity:

$$P_v = P - (P_f + P_r) \tag{5}$$

Actual velocity obtainable:

$$v = \sqrt{2g \frac{P_v}{0.075}} = \frac{Q}{a} \quad (Q = \text{cu. ft. per sec. at } 70°\text{F.}) \tag{6}$$

Theoretical velocity $= V = \sqrt{2g \frac{P}{0.075}}$ (7)

In Table 26, the available power for gravity flue is given, taken from Meier's charts, and in Table 27 the friction for lengths and discharge of square ducts of various areas are given. In Table 20 on indirect radiation previously given, the resistance in pounds per square foot is tabulated for the various types and sizes one section deep for 150-ft. velocity per minute. For any other velocity, square the proportional difference, *i.e.*, twice the velocity

TABLE 25.—EQUALIZATION TABLE

This table is based upon the laws of friction of gases in pipes, and is designed to equalize the combined capacities of a number of small pipes to that of the main conduit.

Illustrative Problem.—It is desired to connect thirty 8-in. pipes to one main, the problem being to determine the diameter of the main. The usual rule would be to multiply the area of an 8-in. pipe by 30, resulting in a 44-in. main. By the table it will be seen that thirty 8-in. pipes require a main of only 31 in. in diameter to carry the same volume of air. The figures at the top of the column are the diameters of the branches, those at the left-hand side the diameter of the mains. Bold faced numerals indicate diameters of pipes; light faced numerals indicate equivalent number of pipes.

1	**1**																											
2	5.7	**2**																										
3	16	2.7	**3**																									
4	32	5.7	2.3	**4**																								
5	56	9.7	3.6	1.8	**5**																							
6	88	16	5.7	2.8	1.6	**6**																						
7	129	23	8.3	4.1	2.3	1.5	**7**																					
8	180	32	12	5.7	3.2	2.1	1.4	**8**																				
9	244	42	16	7.6	4.3	2.8	1.9	1.3	**9**																			
10	317	56	20	9.9	5.7	3.6	2.4	1.7	1.3	**10**																		
11	402	71	26	12	7.0	4.5	3.1	2.2	1.7	1.3	**11**																	
12	501	88	32	16	9.0	5.7	3.8	2.8	2.0	1.6	1.2	**12**																
13	613	107	39	19	11	6.9	4.7	3.4	2.5	1.9	1.5	1.2	**13**															
14	737	129	47	23	13	8.3	5.7	4.1	3.0	2.3	1.8	1.5	1.2	**14**														
15	876	152	56	27	16	9.9	6.7	4.8	3.6	2.8	2.2	1.8	1.4	1.2	**15**													
16	1026	180	65	32	18	11	7.9	5.7	4.2	3.2	2.6	2.1	1.7	1.4	1.2	**16**												
17	1197	208	76	37	21	13	9.2	6.6	4.9	3.8	2.9	2.4	2.0	1.6	1.4	1.2	**17**											
18	1375	239	88	43	24	16	10	7.7	5.7	4.3	3.4	2.8	2.3	1.9	1.6	1.3	1.2	**18**										
19	1580	275	100	49	28	18	12	8.8	6.5	5.0	3.9	3.2	2.6	2.2	1.8	1.5	1.3	1.2	**19**									
20	1775	312	114	56	32	20	14	9.9	7.4	5.7	4.5	3.6	2.9	2.5	2.1	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.1	**20**								
21	1985	345	130	61	35	22	15	10	8.4	6.3	5.2	4.1	3.2	2.6	2.3	2.0	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.1	**21**							
22	2250	398	145	71	41	26	18	13	9.3	7.2	5.7	4.5	3.7	3.1	2.6	2.2	1.9	1.7	1.4	1.3	1.1	**22**						
23	2525	460	160	77	47	29	20	14	10	7.8	6.2	5.0	4.1	3.4	2.8	2.4	2.1	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.1	**23**					
24	2800	493	180	88	50	32	22	16	12	8.9	7.6	5.7	4.6	3.8	3.2	2.9	2.4	2.1	1.8	1.6	1.3	1.2	1.1	**24**				
25	3060	543	202	97	55	35	24	17	13	10	8.0	6.4	5.2	4.2	3.5	3.1	2.6	2.2	2.0	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.1	**25**			
26	3425	590	219	108	62	39	27	19	14	11	8.6	6.9	5.7	4.7	4.0	3.4	2.9	2.5	2.2	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.1	**26**		
27	3738	677	243	121	68	43	29	21	15	12	9.6	7.5	6.1	5.1	4.3	3.6	3.1	2.7	2.4	2.1	1.9	1.6	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.1	**27**	
28	4100	725	265	129	74	48	32	23	17	13	10	8.3	6.8	5.7	4.8	4.1	3.5	3.0	2.6	2.3	2.1	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.1	**28**
29	4440	800	289	141	79	52	35	25	19	14	11	9.1	7.5	6.2	5.2	4.4	3.8	3.3	2.9	2.5	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.1	**29**
30	4898	864	315	151	88	56	38	28	20	16	12	9.9	8.0	6.7	5.7	4.7	4.1	3.6	3.0	2.6	2.4	2.2	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.1	**30**
31	5312	920	344	168	96	59	40	30	22	17	13	10	8.9	7.4	6.1	5.1	4.5	3.9	3.4	3.0	2.7	2.4	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.1
32	5631	1070	374	184	103	63	42	32	23	18	14	11	9.3	8.0	6.5	5.7	4.8	4.2	3.7	3.2	2.8	2.5	2.3	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.1
33	6154	1140	401	196	109	70	45	35	25	19	15	12	10	8.5	7.1	6.0	5.2	4.4	3.9	3.5	3.0	2.7	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.3	1.2
34	6675	1208	433	212	119	76	51	37	27	21	16	13	11	9.1	7.6	6.4	5.5	4.8	4.2	3.7	3.3	2.9	2.6	2.4	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.3
35	7075	1280	470	229	127	82	56	40	30	23	18	14	12	10	8.4	7.1	6.1	5.3	4.6	4.0	3.5	3.1	2.8	2.5	2.3	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.4
36	7735	1355	497	242	138	88	60	43	32	25	19	16	13	11	8.9	7.6	6.5	5.7	5.0	4.3	3.7	3.4	3.0	2.7	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.9	1.7	1.6
37	8265	1435	537	260	146	94	64	45	33	26	20	16	13	11	9.3	7.9	6.9	6.0	5.3	4.6	4.0	3.6	3.2	2.9	2.6	2.3	2.1	1.9	1.8	1.6
38	8715	1625	575	279	157	100	68	49	37	29	22	18	14	12	10	8.6	7.4	6.3	5.5	4.8	4.3	3.8	3.4	3.1	2.8	2.5	2.3	2.1	1.9	1.8

use 4 times the resistance. By trial it is fairly easy to proportion the system so that the friction is well within 75% of the total available head. Due to the uncertainty of gravity ventilating systems and the expense of installation, they are becoming less and less used. With the cheap cost of electric power and its universal availability for operating fans and motors, positive results and greater satisfaction are assured by their use. Except in the case of small residences, gravity ventilation has little to recommend it.

Tables 26 and 27 will prove useful in checking the flow and friction for hot air furnace installations and all cases where movement by gravity in ducts is involved (see previous examples).

TABLE 26.—AVAILABLE HEAD FOR FLUES OF GIVEN HEIGHT AND TEMPERATURE DIFFERENCE[1]
(lb. per sq. ft.)

Height (ft.)	Pressure in pounds per sq. ft. difference in temperature for flues—outside or entering air									
	20 deg.	30 deg.	40 deg.	50 deg.	60 deg.	70 deg.	80 deg.	90 deg.	100 deg.	150 deg.
100	0.27	0.40	0.52	0.65	0.75	0.87	0.99	1.1	1.2	1.7
90	0.25	0.36	0.47	0.57	0.68	0.79	0.89	0.99	1.1	1.5
80	0.22	0.32	0.42	0.52	0.61	0.69	0.78	0.86	0.95	1.3
70	0.19	0.27	0.36	0.45	0.54	0.61	0.68	0.76	0.83	1.15
60	0.16	0.24	0.31	0.37	0.45	0.52	0.59	0.65	0.7	1.00
50	0.135	0.2	0.26	0.32	0.37	0.43	0.49	0.55	0.6	0.82
40	0.11	0.16	0.22	0.255	0.3	0.35	0.38	0.43	0.47	0.66
30	0.0825	0.12	0.16	0.2	0.22	0.26	0.29	0.32	0.35	0.50
20	0.055	0.08	0.107	0.13	0.15	0.17	0.2	0.22	0.24	0.33
10	0.027	0.04	0.052	0.065	0.075	0.087	0.098	0.11	0.12	0.17
5	.....	0.02	0.0255	0.032	0.037	0.043	0.05	0.055	0.06	0.082
3	.....	....	.....	0.019	0.022	0.026	0.029	0.032	0.035	0.05

[1] From "Mechanics of Heating and Ventilation" by Conrad Meier.

28*d*. Duct and Fan Circulation.—Using the heat loss in Fig. 7 and Table 13, 1,233,000 B.t.u. per hr. for −10 deg. F. outside and 70 deg. F. in the room, determine the sizes for heater and duct system, with Diagram 7 and accompanying tables.

The entering air temperature will be assumed at 120 deg. F. or 50 deg. above the room temperature with 10 deg. lost in the ducts. The total heat required will be $\frac{1{,}233{,}000 \times 140}{50} = 3{,}450{,}000$ B.t.u. per hr.

The air required will be

$$\frac{\text{B.t.u. per hr.}}{60 \text{ min.} \times \text{diff.} \times \text{spec. heat of air} \times W \text{ at 70 deg. F.}} = \frac{3{,}450{,}000}{60 \times 140 \times 0.24 \times 0.075} = \frac{3{,}450{,}000}{151.2} = 22{,}820 \text{ cu. ft. per min.}$$

If all out door air were used, this would have to be raised from −10 deg. F. to 130 or 140 deg. F.

In extreme weather it is customary to recirculate part of the air say ½, from the room at 70 deg. F. and the remainder from out of doors. This arrangement is accomplished by means of dampers. If the air is recirculated, the rise in temperature will be ½ the air from 70 deg. F. and ½ from −10 deg. F., or the entering temperature of the mixture will be 30 deg. F., average.

Assuming for this case 5-lb. steam pressure in the coil or 227 deg.F. and a velocity of 1200 ft. per min. through the clear area of the heater, we have $\frac{22{,}820}{1200} = 19.02$ sq. ft. free area.

From the tables in the manufacturers' catalogoues, a pipe coil may be selected with $f' = 17.1$ sq. ft. of heating surface per sq. ft. free area. The number of stacks of pipe coils deep required can be calculated from Formula 7, p. 1122.

$$\text{Log} \frac{\theta_s - \theta_1}{\theta_s - \theta_2} = \frac{f'N}{0.1118V + 127}$$

TABLE 27.—FRICTION, AREAS OF SQUARE FLUES, AND DISCHARGE IN CU. FT. PER MIN. FOR SQUARE DUCTS FOR USE IN GRAVITY VENTILATION[1]

Pressure drop (lb. per sq. ft. per 10-ft. length)	Areas of ducts in square feet																	
	0.5	0.8	1	1.5	2	2.5	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	15	20	25
0.03	240	450	600	1020	1500	1980	2550	3720	4980	6240	7800	9000	10800	12100	15600	21000		
0.02	204	360	492	840	1200	1620	2070	3000	4020	5040	6240	8100	8400	10200	12600	16800		
0.015	168	315	420	720	1050	1410	1770	2580	3540	4380	5400	6C00	7800	8520	10800	14400	20000	28500
0.01	141	252	336	570	870	1140	1470	2070	2760	3540	4320	5220	6000	6900	8700	11700	16800	22800
0.009	132	240	324	540	810	1050	1380	2010	2640	3360	4080	4920	.5700	6720	8100	11100	16200	21600
0.008	120	225	300	510	774	1020	1260	1860	2520	3150	3840	4620	5280	6120	7800	10620	15600	20700
0.007	111	210	276	474	720	924	1178	1680	2310	2880	3570	4320	4980	5760	7200	9780	14400	19200
0.006	107	192	255	432	648	858	1104	1600	2130	2700	3300	4020	4620	5280	6720	8880	13200	17100
0.005	99	174	234	396	582	798	1002	1440	1980	2460	3000	3600	4200	4800	6000	8400	11880	15600
0.004	84	156	210	354	516	700	882	1260	1710	2190	2640	3240	3720	4260	5400	7200	10800	14400
0.003	72	144	180	300	444	588	780	1098	1470	1920	2280	2790	3240	3660	4656	6180	9000	12000
0.002	58	108	144	240	360	480	606	834	1200	1500	1890	2220	2580	2940	3720	5040	7380	9780
0.0015	50	91	126	210	318	408	522	774	1032	1290	1590	1968	2190	2520	3240	4290	6360	8400
0.001	40	75	102	171	252	330	420	612	834	1056	1260	1560	1770	2040	2580	3480	5100	6900
0.0008	36	67	90	150	220	294	381	540	740	924	1140	1410	1620	1800	2280	3120	4500	6000
0.0006	31	57	76	130	192	260	327	468	636	792	1000	1180	1380	1600	1980	2670	3840	5160

[1] From "Mechanics of Heating and Ventilation" by Conrad Meier.

Factor for round pipes = 0.87

Factors for rectangular shapes: $1 \times 2 = 1.07$; $1 \times 3 = 1.18$; $1 \times 4 = 1.3$; $1 \times 5 = 1.43$

$$\text{Velocity} = \frac{\text{Discharge per minute}}{\text{Area at top of column}}$$

where f' is the square feet of heating surface per square foot of free area for one stack. These initial and final temperatures are given in all manufacturers' catalogues. Utilizing the above formula and substituting proper values in the above equation

$$\text{Log}\frac{227 \text{ deg.} - - 10 \text{ deg.}}{227 - 130} = \frac{17.1\,N}{(0.1118 \times 1200) + 127}$$

$$N = \frac{\text{Log } 2.4433}{0.0654} = \frac{0.3879768}{0.0655} = 5.93 \text{ stacks of pipe coils deep, or 6.}$$

If the air is recirculated in extreme weather, which is advisable due to expense of steam or fuel when the outside temperature is about 10 deg. F. above zero, the number of sections required would be:

$$\text{Log}\frac{(227 - 70)}{(227 - 130)} = \frac{\text{Log } 1.6186}{0.0655} = \frac{0.2091395}{0.0655} = 3.2 \text{ or 4 stacks deep.}$$

Put in 4 stacks and recirculate or raise the steam pressure when below 10 deg. F., or recirculate a portion of the air in extreme weather.

The total heating surface of the stack is $6 \times 17.1 \times 19.02 = 1950$ sq. ft. surface.

The friction through the heater will be that due to a velocity of 1200 ft. per min. The condensation at 5-lb. pressure will be, with air at −10 deg. F., measured at 70 deg. F. $\frac{3{,}450{,}000}{961} = 3590$ lb. steam per hr. If ½ the air is recirculated in 10 deg. F. weather, the rise in temperature will be $\frac{70 + - 10}{2} = 30$ deg. The condensation will then be for a difference in temperature of 130 deg. − 30 deg. = 100 deg., or $\frac{100}{140} \times 3590 = 2564$ lb. per hr. If all

the air is recirculated, the rise in temperature will be 130 deg.—70 deg. = 60 deg., and the condensation will be $2564 \times 0.6 = 1540.0$ lb. steam.

Using Diagram 6, we have $\theta'_s = 227$ deg. F., $\theta_1 = -10$ deg. F., $\theta_2 = 130$ deg. F., $\theta'_s - \theta_2 = 97$ deg. F., $\theta_s - \theta_1 = 237$ deg. F. Select the abscissa on the middle chart and move up to curve $\theta_s - \theta_2 = 97$ deg. F., select the ordinate at this intersection and move to the right to the curves for 1200-ft. per min, velocity which gives f for pipe coils = 102.5 and for Vento = 115. This ordinate is the one next to the heavy line illustrating a previous problem.

Using a coil with $f = 17.1$ sq. ft. per sq. ft., the number of stacks of 4 row sections deep is $\frac{102.5}{17.1} = 6$ deep or 24 rows of pipes, which checks with the analytical work. Total surface = 19 sq. ft. $\times$ 6 $\times$ 17.1 = 1950 sq. ft. Moving on the same ordinate to the left to curves for $\theta_2 - \theta_1 = 140$ deg. F. and moving up the abscissa at this intersection, we have $\theta_s - \theta_m = 157$ deg. F., and from Diagram 5 we have k for pipe coils = 11.4 B.t.u.

$$1950 \times 157 \text{ deg.} \times 11.4 = 3{,}490{,}000 \text{ B.t.u.}$$

In case a Vento section is used, select from Table 20 the regular section, 5¾-in. centers, $f' = 14.6$, 72-in. height, 1.303 sq. ft. free area per section.

$$\frac{115}{14.6} = 8 \text{ stacks deep}$$

$$\frac{19.02 \text{ sq. ft. total free area}}{1.303 \text{ sq. ft. free area per section}} = 15 \text{ sections.}$$

15 sections, 8 deep $\times$ 19 sq. ft. = 2280 sq. ft. of heating surface.

From Diagram 5, using cast-iron Vento with 1200-ft. per min. velocity, and $\theta_s - \theta_m = 155$ deg. F., 155 deg. $\times$ 10.2 B.t.u. $\times$ 2280 sq. ft. = 3,605,780 B.t.u. By selecting a section with the correct factor f, or changing the velocity, the most economical section may be selected.

Assuming the condition of one-half the entering air recirculated or an average entering temperature, $\theta_1 = 30$ deg. F., $\theta_s = 227$ deg. F., $\theta_2 = 130$ deg. F., $\theta_s - \theta_1 = 197$ deg. F., $\theta_s - \theta_2 = 97$ deg. F., and $\theta_2 - \theta_1 = 100$ deg. F. Selecting Diagram 6 as before, $\theta_s - \theta_1 = 197$ deg. F. and curve $\theta_s - \theta_2 = 97$ deg. F., we have f for the Vento = 90 and for pipe coils = 80. $\theta_s - \theta_m$ for both is 140 deg. F., using curve $\theta_2 - \theta_1 = 100$ deg. F., and the same ordinate.

Pipe coils will require, if f' is 19.6 (Table 23), $\frac{80}{19.6} = 4.1$ sections deep, say 4 sections, with slightly higher velocity or greater area. The square feet of heating surface or 19.02 sq. ft. free area = 19.6 $\times$ 19.02 $\times$ 4 = 1489.6 sq. ft. in the coil, 4 sections, 4 pipe deep. Then 1500 sq. ft. $\times$ 11.4 B.t.u. (Diagram 5) $\times$ 140 deg. = 2,394,000 B.t.u. per hr. $\frac{2{,}394{,}000}{961 \text{B.t.u.}} = 2500$ lb., which checks with previous analytical work.

Assuming 50-in. Vento, $f' = 14.92$, 5¾-in. centers, 0.905 sq. ft. free area per section, and 13.5 sq. ft. surface per section, we have (Table 20) $\frac{90}{14.92} = 6$ sections deep.

$$\frac{19.02 \text{ total sq. ft. free area}}{0.905 \text{ sq. ft. free area per section}} = 21 \text{ sections}$$

21 sections $\times$ 6 $\times$ 13.5 = 1700 sq. ft. of heating surface in the stack.

Diagram 5 gives 10.4 B.t.u. for 1200 ft. velocity.

$$\frac{2{,}475{,}200}{961 \text{ B.t.u.}} = 2576 \text{ lb. steam per hr., which also checks.}$$

Diagrams 5 and 6 will enable any problem in handling air to be solved, either gravity or fan work, if the square feet of surface per square foot of area f' is known. This takes the place of all the voluminous tables in the Vento book and those published by blower companies.

29. Duct Systems.

29*a*. Trunk Line Ducts.—Fig. 31 shows a layout for trunk line duct with 30 outlets with a capacity of 1000 cu. ft. for each outlet. We will allow the lowest velocity at 1000 ft. per min. for the longest line of 210 ft. Diagram 8 gives for 2000 cu. ft. (for the 2 outlets on this line) a 20-in round duct and 0.09 in. friction per 100 ft. For all branch ducts, use 0.09 in. per 100 ft. and for the main truck use 0.1. In using chart, follow up the 0.1-in. line until it intersects at right angles the discharge, and the nearest velocity and size pipe to this intersection will be the proper ones to select. Referring to letters on Fig. 31, Table 28 gives the resulting readings. The duct lines are sized for practically the same drop per 100-ft. run and the velocities at the outlet are regulated by volume dampers set at the proper point. The opening of the nearby dampers will be much less than those at the end of the line. These are set with an anemometer after installation as the pressure near the fan is much greater than at the remote parts of the system. Flaring reducers may be used to reduce the velocity to the same rate for all outlets.

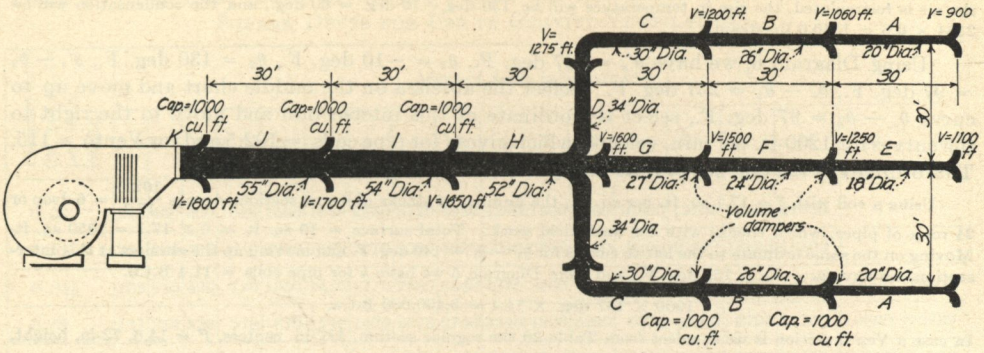


FIG. 31.—Trunk line duct system.

TABLE 28

No.	Capacity (cu. ft. per min.)	Diameter (in.)	Velocity (ft. per min.)	Friction (in. of water per 100 ft.)	Length (ft.)	Friction (in. of water for entire length)	Total friction (in. of water)
K	30,000	56	1,800	0.110	10	0.011	
J	28,000	55	1,700	0.100	30	0.03	
I	26,000	54	1,650	0.0975	30	0.0293	
H	24,000	52	1,600	0.09	30	0.027	
D	8,000	34	1,275	0.09	30	0.027	
C	6,000	30	1,200	0.09	Ell 25 Tee 30	0.0495	
B	4,000	26	1,060	0.085	30	0.0255	
A	2,000	20	900	0.075	30	0.0225	0.2218
KJIH	.....	..	....	....	..	0.0973	
E	2,000	18	1,100	0.13	30	0.039	
F	4,000	24	1,250	0.13	30	0.039	
G	6,000	27	1,500	0.15	30	0.045	0.2203

The total drop in friction *K*, *J*, *I*, *H*, *D*, *C*, *B*, *A* (Table 28)..... 0.2218
The friction through the heater 6 sections, 1200 ft. velocity, Table 23 gives *ABC* coil @ 1000 ft.—24 pipes
0.186 in. water $0.186 \times (1.2)^2$ in. water..... 0.268
Velocity head 1800 ft. per min. or 30 ft. per sec. $\frac{900}{4455.6}$ = 0.2
Allow 50% duct loss for obstructions..... 0.11

Total..... 0.7998 in. water

A pressure head of 1.25 in. water on fan will be ample. The horsepower of the fan will be as follows;

Let H = head in inches of water = 1.25 in.
Q = cu. ft. of air at 70 deg.F. per min. = 30,000 cu. ft.
33,000 ft.-lb. = 1 hp. hp. $= \frac{5.2HQ}{33{,}000}$

In such calculation take fan efficiency at 50% although it may run from 40 to 60%.

$$\text{hp.} = \frac{5.2 \times 30{,}000 \times 1.25 \text{ in.}}{33{,}000 \times 0.5} = 12 \text{ hp., or say 15-hp. motor.}$$

29*b*. Separate Ducts.—Fig. 32 is a layout for separate ducts for each flue or room. In this case there will be the same drop in the total length of each duct, varying the area and velocity to accomplish this, rather than, as in the former case, having nearly the same

drop per unit of length. Also it is desriable to use rectangular ducts so that they will lie close together. We will make H and K double the depth, or 24 in., while the others will be 12 in.

Using Diagram 8 as before and 0.21 in. for the total drop in each duct, we have

TABLE 29

No. of outlet	No. register outlets	Capacity of outlet (cu. ft.)	Total capacity (cu. ft. per min.)	Length of pipe (feet)	Drop per 100 ft. $\frac{0.21 \times 100}{l}$ (in. of water)	Diameter of pipe (in.)	Velocity (ft. per min.)	Size rectangular pipe $D = \frac{4 \times A \times B}{2(A+B)}$ (in.)
A	2	1000	2000	10	2.10	8	1800	6 × 12
B	2	1000	2000	40	0.52	10½	1700	10 × 12
C	2	1000	2000	70	0.3	11½	1400	12 × 12
D	2	1000	2000	100	0.21	12½	1200	14 × 12
I.E.	6	1000	6000	130	0.161	13	1100	15 × 12
J.F.	6	1000	6000	160	0.131	14	1000	16 × 12
G	4	1000	4000	190	0.111	14½	950	18 × 12
K	1	2000	2000	190	0.111	18½	1050	15 × 24
H	2	2000	4000	220	0.0955	19	1000	16 × 24

The total drop in the above system will be the same as for Fig. 31. This system is often used in schools and especially where tempered air at 70 deg. F. and higher is desired for combined heating and ventilation. The desired temperature is obtained by the use of thermostatically controlled mixing dampers.

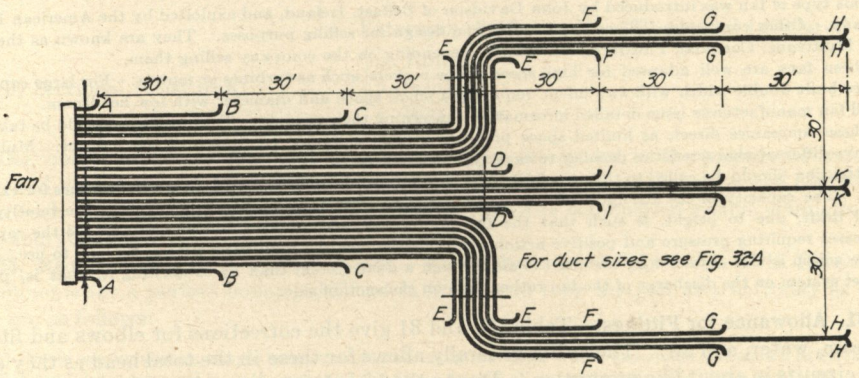


FIG. 32.—Separate duct system.

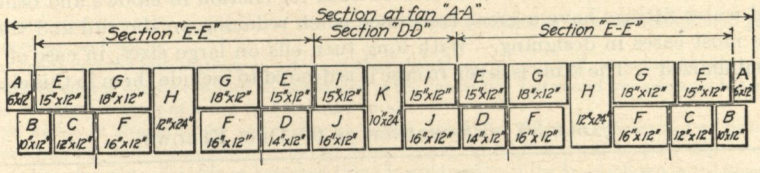


FIG. 32A.—Cross section through separate duct system (Fig. 32).

It often occurs where the ventilating system is combined with the heating system, as in schools or auditoriums, that the heat carried by the air necessary for ventilation will be more than enough to produce the proper temperature, In such cases, the B.t.u. losses should be provided into the amount of air required for ventilation to obtain the proper rise in temperature. If the B.t.u. loss is 1,600,000 and there are 2000 people requiring 30 cu. ft. of air per min. for ventilation, then the diffusion or heat required above the normal room temperature to replace the heat losses will be

$$\text{Diffusion} = \frac{1{,}600{,}000 \text{ B.t.u.}}{2000 \times 30 \times 0.075 \times 0.24 \times 60} = \frac{1{,}600{,}000}{648{,}000} = 2.63 \text{ deg. to replace the heat losses.}$$

If the air for ventilation is raised 3 to 5 deg. above the room temperature, it will be sufficient for warming. This will give an entering temperature of 73 to 75 deg. F. The heater must be designed by the same method as before but with greater area and less rise in temperature.

As a general rule, ventilating system should not be combined with the heating system. Separate heating systems should be provided, in addition to the ventilating system, for the sake of economy.

30. Fans and Blowers.—Power fans should be used for all ventilation. Such equipment can be obtained in a variety of forms, convenient and economical to operate. There are several types of fans, each having its characteristics.

Disk fans, which are used for ventilation, will remove the air from a room or supply air for any purpose where large volumes are desired at low resistances. It is not economical to operate them on a duct system against any appreciable resistance. The "Ventura" fan and the "Blackman" fan are built up to 10 or 12 ft. in diameter and make excellent exhaust fans. Cone fans will produce considerable pressure and they need no housing.

The old type of paddle wheel fan is built by all fan manufacturers. The width is about ½ the diameter and the wheel diameters are generally from 2 to 16 ft. The housings come the same as for other fans, with various arrangements for the outlets and inlets. They are excellent where a slow speed is desired, as when operated by an engine, although they take up a great deal of space.

In selecting fans the important points to look for are to see that they are perfectly balanced and have oil wells with ring bearings. The speed should not be over a mile a minute for the periphery of the wheel. At speeds higher than this any fan is apt to be noisy.

Multiblade Fans.—This type has a very large inlet nearly the full diameter of the wheel, with a series of narrow blades set close together in the rim. They are coming quite generally into favor due to the small space required for a given capacity as compared with the paddle wheel type.

This type of fan was introduced by John Davidson of Belfast, Ireland, and exploited by the American Blower Company. Other companies followed and varied the design for selling purposes. They are known as the "Sirroco," Multivane, Conoidal, Plexiform, and others, depending on the company selling them.

These fans are well adapted for high speed prime movers, such as turbines or motors. For large capacities they are built double width with two inlets, requiring a small space and diameter with low headroom.

All fan manufacturers issue detailed information concerning their product. Fan problems should be taken up with these companies direct, as limited space prevents a more extended treatment of the subject. Multivane fans have different characteristics peculiar to each type manufactured.

Attention should be called to the use of disc ventilating fans in connection with long vertical flues for exhausting air. The capacity of the flue under natural draft should be determined first, as in many cases the velocity from natural draft, due to height, is such that the fan and motor add nothing but actually reduce the capacity. In all cases requiring pressure and positive action against resistance the multivane type is the one to use. More positive action is also obtained by driving the air through a duct system than by exhausting it, that is, placing the duct system on the discharge of the fan rather than on the suction side.

31. Allowance for Fittings.—Tables 30 and 31 give the corrections for elbows and fittings for steam, water, and air. The writer generally allows for these in the total head as they occur on all circuits in about like proportion. Due to the fact that construction may not be in accordance with the calculated assumption and these calculations are, at best, not accurate, the writer believes it better to allow in the total available head for friction in elbows and other fittings. Steam and water fittings have a great resistance when reducing on the run and these can be avoided in most cases in designing. With long turn ells on large sizes, in case of water, the losses are minimized. The table is given in case it is desired to include them in this class of work.

TABLE 30.—RESISTANCE OF 90–DEG. ELBOWS

Radius of throat of elbow in diameters of pipe	¼	½	¾	1	1¼	1½	1¾	2	2½	3	3½	4	4½	5	5½
Number of diameters of straight pipe offering equivalent resistance	67.0	30.0	16.0	10.0	7.5	6.0	5.0	4.3	4.5	4.8	5.0	5.2	5.5	5.8	6.0

TABLE 31.—EQUIVALENT LENGTH OF STRAIGHT PIPE FOR FITTINGS AND VALVES

Size of pipe (inches)	1	1¼	1½	2	2½	3	3½	4	5	6	7	8	10
Steam ell	1.5	3	3.5	5.0	6	9	11	13	19.0	24.0	29	35	41.0
Globe valve	2.0	4	5.0	7.0	10	14	17	24	37.0	44.0	53	61	78.0
Gravity water	2.0	3	3.5	4.5	6	7	9	10	14.5	17.5	19	21	26.5

Note.—Long turn ells should be used on all steam and water on the larger sizes. Gate valves should be used instead of globe valves. Reducing fittings should be avoided on the run. High pressure steam does not matter as slight increases of pressure will obviate the matter and the maximum load is seldom carried.

BOILERS, FUELS, AND CHIMNEYS

32. Types of Boilers.—The different types of boilers may be classed as follows:

(1) Water tube

(2) Fire tube
- *a.* Internally fired
  - Scotch Marine
  - Locomotive
  - Fire box boilers
- *b.* Externally fired
  - Horizontal tubular

(3) Sectional (Cast iron)
- *a.* Round
- *b.* Sectional
- *c.* Watertube

The boiler proper is the heat absorbing surface interposed in the passage between the grate and the chimney to absorb the heat from the hot gases produced by the combustion of the fuel. Its function is separate and distinct from the combustion system composing the grate and chimney.

33. Requirements of a Perfect Boiler.—The writer cannot improve on G. H. Babcocks's requirements for a perfect boiler published in *Steam* and they are just as true today as ever. They are as follows:

(1) Proper workmanship, simple construction, and using materials which experience has shown to be the best

(2) A mud drum removed from the action of the fire to receive all impurities deposited from the water.

(3) A steam and water capacity sufficient to prevent any fluctuation in steam pressure or water level.

(4) Water surface for the disengagement of the steam from the water, or sufficient extent to prevent foaming and priming.

(5) A constant and thorough circulation of the water throughout the boiler so as to maintain all parts as near the same temperature as possible.

(6) Water space divided into sections so arranged that should any section fail, no general explosion will occur and the destructive effects will be confined to the escape of the contents. Large and free passages between the different sections to equalize the water line and pressure in all.

(7) A great excess of strength over any legitimate strain, the boiler being so constructed as to be free from unequal expansion strain and, if possible, to avoid all joints exposed to the direct action of the fire.

(8) Have the combustion chamber so arranged that the combustion of the gases started in the furnace shall be completed before escaping to the chimney.

(9) The heating surface as nearly as possible at right angles to the currents of heated gases so as to break up the currents and extract the entire available heat.

(10) All parts readily accessible for cleaning and repairs both inside and outside. This is of the greatest importance.

(11) Proportioned for the work and capable of working to the full capacity with the highest economy.

(12) Equipped with the very best trimmings, gages, safety valves, and fixtures, not forgetting instruments of precision in order to determine the record of performance.

(13) Straight tubes are better than curved tubes both in cleaning and replacements as curved tubes are sometimes hard to obtain in an emergency.

34. Heating Surface.—The heating surfaces are classed as (1) direct fire surface or that exposed to the direct rays of the fire, absorbing heat both by radiation and convection; (2) indirect surface or that which absorbs heat by convection only, and (3) superheating surface; or that which has steam instead of water on one side. The average absorption of power boilers is from 2000 to 3000 B.t.u. per sq. ft. of heating surface per hr. The American Radiator Company claims an absorption of 10 B.t.u. per sq. ft. per deg. difference for direct heating surface and for indirect or flue surface for a difference in temperature of from 800 to 900 deg. between the water and gases, 3.5 B.t.u. per sq. ft. per deg.

This means that the direct fire surface has a greater value by 4 or 5 to 1 than flue surface in a boiler. At the same time, these higher temperatures require a more intense fire and greater attention.

35. Water-tube Boilers.—These are used where large units are required to economize space and obtain high rates of combustion in order to carry heavy overloads as well as a wide range of power load, thus reducing the number of boilers and fires. Most of them are composed of small cylindrical units with thin walls, capable of withstanding high pressures. All are sold and rated on 10 sq. ft. of heating surface per horsepower. The heating surface being in tubular and cylindrical forms, is fairly easy to check. Nearly all water-tube boilers require brick settings, and are erected in sections so that they may be taken into buildings through small openings.

36. Fire-tube Boilers.—As the name indicates, the heating surface of these boilers consists of tubes surrounded by water and through which the hot gases pass and are known as internally and externally fired.

The Locomotive and Scotch Marine are the most common types of internally fired boilers, while the horizontal tubular is externally fired. The locomotive type has a fire box formed of the extension of the shell or barrel containing the tubes. The sides and top of the fire box are annular and require careful staying due to the fact that the surfaces are flat and will not withstand pressure like cylindrical sections. They are short lived where bad water is used due to collection of scale on surfaces exposed to the fire. The type used for stationary heating practice is called a fire box boiler.

The Scotch Marine boiler consists of a large cylinder with corrugated circular fire boxes passing from head to head, the grates setting in the lower portion of the fire box. It may be built from 8 to 20 ft. in outside diameter and sometimes has 3 fire boxes. It may also be arranged to be fired from both ends. The circulation of the water under the corrugated fire boxes is poor due to the dead space under the fire except when on a ship at sea. On land the circulation is remedied by using a small pump to circulate the water from the bottom to the top. No brick work is required, and the fire, ash pit, etc., are all surrounded by heating surface and water. The shell, however, needs to be well insulated. Combustion arches are sometimes used of masonry to aid combustion.

The horizontal tubular boiler is the most common type of boiler used in stationary practice. It is a simple shell partially filled with tubes set in brick work and is one of the most reliable, and when well set will equal any boiler in economy. All shell boilers are limited as to pressures and capacity by the diameter and thickness of shell exposed to the fire. The riveting of the shell and bracing of the heads are important details of construction.

The Hartford Steam Boiler and Inspection Company furnishes specifications and details of the best practice in the setting and construction of these boilers. Care must be exercised that sufficient entrance space is always provided for erection in buildings.

37. Settings.—Boilers should be set with hard brick with lime mortar. Little cement is used due to the possibility of cracking. Furnaces and sides up to the lugs should be lined with fire brick set in fire clay. A slow fire should be started and kept going until the setting is thoroughly dry to avoid cracking. The top may be covered with a course of brick or pipe covering.

In the past domes were provided to furnish dry steam but due to weakening the shell, they are generally omitted and dry pipes furnished.

Proper foundation should be placed under the walls with a sufficient thickness and spread to carry the boile without settling. Buck stays and tie rods are used to hold the side walls in place and keep them from spreading but they should never be used longitudinally. The boilers are supported in two ways: (1) directly on the walls by means of lugs riveted to the shell resting on the brick walls, and (2) by means of 4 steel columns, one at each corner of the setting, supporting a steel beam from which one or more boilers may be suspended with suspension rods riveted to eye bolts on each side of the shell. By this method of suspension the boilers are supported entirely independent of the brick setting. With the lug method, two lugs are used on each side, resting on plates on the brick work, the rear lug having bearing rolls so as to provide for expansion.

Settings may be found in all boiler manufacturers' catalogues.

38. Area of Grate.—The rate of coal consumption per square foot of grate may be anything for which the combustion system is designed by taking the maximum power load in horsepower and reducing it to terms of fuel per hour. From 10 to 25 lb. of soft coal may be burned per sq. ft. of grate per hour. Horizontal tubular boilers generally have a grate surface equal to the square of the diameter of the shell. This is often lengthened a foot or two where a slow rate of combustion for heating purposes is desired, for coal capacity and to reduce periods between firings, or for purposes of operating at overloads.

39. Rating.—The 36 to 42-in. boilers are rated at 12 sq. ft. of heating surface per horsepower and all above that at 10 sq. ft. They are built in units up to 355 hp. with 96-in. shells 22 ft. long. To reduce the ratings to standard square feet of steam radiation, multiply by $\frac{\text{hp.} \times 34.5\text{lb.}}{0.25}$

It would be advisable when smaller sized fire-box boilers are used under low pressure for heating purposes, to increase the heating surface per horsepower to 12 and 15. These catalogue ratings are simply a measure of the amount of boiler or heating surface being purchased, for both buyer and seller are equally able to check the size and heating surface. They have little to do with the rating under which the boiler may ultimately be operated in actual service. The heating surface per horsepower increases as the load decreases. Thus, if a boiler were operated under 60 % of its rating in service, the square feet of surface per horsepower would be, if 12 sq. ft. were the standard at full load, 20 sq-ft. of heating surface per horsepower.

Any power boilers may be used for gravity or forced hot water circulation, and the water may be circulated directly through it. In the case of forced hot water circulation, the velocity of the water over the surface enables it to be reduced to about 6 sq. ft. of heating surface per hp. of work. In some cases the shells of horizontal tubular boilers have been completely filled with tubes for this purpose. This is of no advantage and makes the boiler inaccessible for inspection and the added tube heating surface is inefficient.

In determining the size of a power boiler, multiply the B.t.u. loss by 1.3 and divide by 33,500 B.t.u. to obtain the boiler horsepower, and use 12 sq. ft. of heating surface per horsepower for small sizes and 10 for large.

40. Cast-iron Boilers.—Cast-iron boilers are built in sections so as to go into inaccessible places and through small passages. This method of constructon makes the labor of erection and handling less. They are built round and square, the sections being connected with push nipples or screwed nipples with headers and lock nut joints The general proportions are ⅔ direct fire surface and ⅓ flue surface due to the draft resistance on low chimneys. The area of grate should be checked, and with the distance to the center of the fire door to the grate the possible fuel charge may be determined. Where low chimneys are used, the boiler selected should have as little flue surface as possible. Where a higher chimney is available, the flue surface will be of advantage. It is almost impossible to tell anything about the ratings and capacities of cast-iron boilers from the catalogues as the heating surface or the draft resistance are not given. One simply has to take the manufacturer's word for the size and trust to experience.

It is possible by proper firing on house heating boilers to burn soft coal with little smoke. If the fuel is fired at the front of the furnace and allowed to coke, as the distilled gases pass over the incandescent fuel bed at the rear, good results may be obtained.

The American Radiator Company and Hart and Crouse (Royal) use the Hawley down draft which is composed of an upper water grate. The former uses cast iron and the latter uses a grid of extra heavy wrought-iron pipe on which the green fuel is fired. The upper fire door is left open to supply the air which passes down through the green fuel bed to the bed of coked coal on the lower grate. This lower fire distills the coal above and consumes the gases. After the coal is coked on the upper grate it is pushed or falls to the lower where combustion is completed. These boilers need greater intensity of draft than ordinary types and the construction of the water grate should be such that expansion strains are avoided, as these create leaks.

The H. B. Smith and U. S. Radiator Corporation use a form of combustion arch for smokeless boilers. Both these principles are well known and are efficient. These types of boilers are being used on some of the largest buildings up to 40,000 and 50,000 sq. ft. capacity. The down draft furnace is used on any type of power boiler but stokers and forced draft are more usual for they give greater capacity and at the same time smokeless combustion.

The necessities of the situation demand that heating boilers under 2000 sq. ft. of radiation be operated under a wide range of load with long periods (8 to 10 hr.) between firings thus engendering low flue temperatures and poor combustions. Under conditions of low flue temperatures, the fuel distills off with incomplete combustion, but with higher flue temperatures induced by a higher combustion rate, the products of distillation are consumed and more than make up for the loss engendered by the higher flue temperature.

The higher flue temperatures and improved draft increase the capacity of the same boiler due to greater

transmission rates and increased velocity of the gases. Most boiler manufacturers recommend an increase of 25 to 100 % in the square feet of radiation installed when selecting a boiler by catalogue ratings, ascribing the reason to uncovered mains, etc. For reasons already given, the square feet of radiation should never be used for the determination of the maximum boiler load although there is no objection to dividing the total B.t.u. load, as determined, by 250 B.t.u. to reduce it to the unit of rating in manufacturers' catalogues.

These increases should be made, but for entirely different reasons, as follows:

1. The calculations for heat loss and radiation are on a basis of supplying the heat only to keep the room at 70 deg. F. with zero or −10 deg. F. outside. In case the room drops to 60 deg. F. with zero weather outside, the building loss is reduced while the radiation transmission is increased, and all the mass of the building, furniture, etc., has to be raised to 70 deg. F. before the thermometer will register that temperature.

2. In addition, if the radiation is cold, all iron and water in the system has to be raised to the working temperature, say 210 deg. F. A certain portion of this heat has to be furnished every time the radiators are turned off and although not lost, it is given out at such times as to be of little use for actual heating. This is an explanation of the excessive fuel when intermittent heating is practiced on a large plant.

3. The time in which these losses can be supplied is dependent on the boiler capacity. The larger the boiler, the shorter the time, irrespective of the type of heating system.

Assume the data of a previous problem with 1,239,000 B.t.u. per hr., and 5500 sq. ft. of radiation, and with a difference of (70 − −10) 80 deg. between the room and the outside. When raising a room temperature, the rise has to be doubled, or if 10 deg. rise is required, the actual work required will be 20 deg., so the heat required to raise it 10 deg. or from 60 to 70 deg. will be $^{2}\!\%_{0} \times 1{,}239{,}000 = 310{,}000$ B.t.u. With 8 lb. of iron per sq. ft. of radiation, and 0.12 as the specific heat of iron, the heat to raise the iron from 60 to 210 deg. will be:

Steam Systems

(1) Iron, 5500×8 (lb.) $\times 0.12 \times 150$ (deg.) = 792,000 B.t.u.

(2) Increment 10-deg. rise $= \frac{20}{80} = \frac{1}{4}$

(3) Normal heat loss (0°–60°) $= \frac{3}{4}$

} = 1,240,000 B.t.u.

(4) Steam (medium), 5500×0.025 (cu. ft.) $\times 0.04$ (spec. vol.) $\times 1000$ = 5500 B.t.u.

Total = 2,037,500 B.t.u. = 165 % of 1,240,000 B.t.u

Water System

Items (1), (2), and (3) = 2,032,000 B.t.u.

(4) Water (medium), 5500×1.5 (lb.) $\times 1 \times 150$(deg.) = 1,237,500 B.t.u.

Total = 3,269,500 B.t.u. = 266 % of 1,240,000 B.t.u.

if it is to be accomplished in one hour. If the work is to be done in 1½ hours, the boiler power required would be 66 % of the above items. As zero weather occurs seldom and the building would probably not be allowed to be cooled to too low a temperature at such times, 130 to 150 % should be ample if the boiler has the actual capacity represented. It is possible with proper chimney and draft to increase a boiler capacity to any reasonable extent.

Boiler tests show that 500 deg. flue temperature and 6 to 7 sq. ft. of heating surface per boiler horsepower are required for economy of fuel. For a low flue temperature of 300 deg. and long periods between firings, 10 or 12 sq. ft. should be provided. It has already been found that the proper load is 130 % of B.t.u. losses. Assuming the cast-iron boiler manufacturer has rated his boiler on 7 sq. ft. per hp. of work, and 10 is needed, we have an increase of 143 % in the rating due to lack of heating surfaces.

Let S = radiation in square feet at 250 B.t.u.

then $1.43 \times 1.3 = 1.859 \times S$ = catalogue rating of the boiler to be selected. This is about what the manufacturer recommends. See that the chimney is designed for boiler selected and not for the load. This is at best a guess. If the heating surface and draft pressure (flue temperature and height of chimney) is available from the manufacturer, the problem is simplified. Remember these boilers are tested and rated with high flue temperatures, good draft conditions and hard coal that requires minimum draft pressure which give the greatest fuel economy with a minimum of heating surface.

In using cast iron boilers on forced hot water, the static pressure will limit the use of most makes to 40 lb. pressure as the test is 80 lb. The H.B. Smith Co. makes the mills water tube boiler with nearly all direct surface, that will stand 200-lb. test.

41. Boiler Trimmings.—All steam boilers must be provided with steam gage, water column with water gage and try cocks, safety valve, and damper regulator. Water boilers are provided with thermometers and an altitude pressure gage. All power boilers are provided with the same fittings or trimmings but of a different type, generally two safety valves, blow off cocks, low and high water alarm on the water column's and automatic check and stop valves. These latter automatically shut the boiler off in case of a break in the steam main. All trimmings, grates, and fire tools are furnished with cast-iron boilers.

42. Connecting Two Boilers.—In connecting two or more boilers in a battery for gravity return heating, they should be yoked together with a large equalizing pipe in separate steam

outlets independent of other connections. The return should also be connected in like manner, otherwise the water line of the boilers will vary considerably. Equalizing connections outside of the boiler, between steam main and return main, do no good and sometimes harm.

43. Check Valves.—Check valves of swing type should be used on all boiler connections so that water can enter the boiler, but not escape in case of breaks or carelessness in opening valves. They do not, however, assist circulation. If the system circulates unequally without their introduction they will not better conditions. Many steam fitters think a check valve a panacea for all badly designed plants.

44. Feed Pump.—If the duplex plunger pump is large and operated fairly slow with some attention to the needs, it is more economical than the centrifugal pump. It has this disadvantage that when the valves are all shut on the boilers the pump will place the full pressure on the feed line before stopping. An automatic pump regulator would obviate this.

The centrifugal pump will place a certain head on the main and is fool proof. It also will fall off in power as the gallons are reduced due to curtailment and may be run continuously regardless of the water required. Operated by a steam turbine under back pressure, it will require more steam than the compounds piston pump with a due amount of attention.

45. Equivalent Evaporation.—As boilers are operated at various steam pressures with possibly entrained moisture, their performance cannot be compared by simply determining the number of pounds of water evaporated by each. Instead, the performance of each boiler must be reduced to its "equivalent evaporation" from and at 212 deg. and then the boilers may be compared on this common basis. The equivalent evaporation from and at 212 deg. is found by multiplying the number of pounds of water actually evaporated per hour by the "factor of evaporation."

The factor of evaporation is equal to the number of heat units actually supplied by the boiler to each pound of steam, divided by the latent heat of one pound of steam at atmospheric pressure.

Calling q the quality of the steam formed in the boiler, L the latent heat of the steam formed in the boiler, h the heat of the liquid of the steam formed in the boiler, and t_f the temperature of the feed water, then the factor of evaporation =

$$\frac{qL + h - (t_f - 32)}{970.4}$$

45*a*. *Illustrative Problem.*—A boiler makes 98 % dry steam at 175 lb. gage pressure from feed water at 115 deg. F. What is the factor of evaporation?

$q = 0.98$; $L = 846.9$ (from Steam Table); $h = 350.4$ (from Steam Table).

$$\text{factor of evaporation} = \frac{0.98 \times 846.9 + 350.4 - (115 - 32)}{970.4} = 1.131.$$

The equivalent evaporation per hour in this boiler would be 1.13/ × weight of water actually evaporated.

46. Boiler Efficiency.—Power boilers are operated at a wide range of loads with a more or less variation in efficiency. The limit is generally the point where the gases are not carried off fast enough and the brick work of the furnace commences to give way. This may be as high as 300 % of the rating, dependent on the arrangement of the combustion system.

The efficienty of any boiler is the ratio of the heat absorbed by the water and steam in the boiler per pound of dry fuel to the actual heat value of one pound of the coal. This is the combined efficiency of the boiler and furnace.

47. Shipping and Erection.—The Babcock, Hornsby, and Stirling boilers are generally shipped in sections, the parts being erected on the job by rolling the tubes and nipples into the forgings and drums. The Heine type, Cahall, and return tubular boilers are generally shipped in one piece, assembled, none of the parts requiring riveting on the job. This may have an important bearing on the selection of a type where space for entrance into a building has to be provided. Straight tubes that can be easily inspected and replaced are an important feature. Evaporation tests of high efficiency are not always to be taken as conclusive as they largely depend on skill of operation. For industrial plants the boiler that can be kept clean easily will probably give the best results in the long run.

48. Fuel.—Since hard coal is used in most heating boilers, cast-iron boilers are rated and tested with hard coal as fuel, but due to the scarcity and expense of hard coal in many localities soft coal is coming more and more into use, and allowances should be made for its use.

2240 lb. good Lehigh coal will occupy about 41 cu. ft. of space. For a ton of 2000 lb., Lump will require 28.8 cu. ft., Broken 30.3 cu. ft., Egg and stove 30.8 cu. ft., Chestnut 32.8 cu. ft., and Pea 32.8 cu. ft.

Spontaneous combustion is brought about by the slow oxidation in an air supply which is insufficient to carry away the heat formed or to support combustion. Mixed lump and fine run of mine, with a large percentage of dust, piled so as to admit to the interior a limited supply of air, make ideal conditions for spontaneous combustion. High volatile matter of itself does not increase this liability to spontaneous heating. Freshly mined coal and fresh surfaces exposed by crushing lump coal, exhibit a marked avidity for oxygen.

49. Recommendations for Storing and Piling Coal.—(1) Do not pile over 12 ft. deep or so any point in the interior will be over 10 ft. from an air cooled surface.

(2) Keep dust out as much as possible.

(3) Pile so that lump and fine are distributed as evenly as possible, not allowing the lumps to roll down from the peak and form air passages at the bottom.

(4) Rehandle and screen after two months.

(5) Keep away external sources of heat, even though moderate in degree.

(6) Allow six weeks seasoning after mining before storing.

(7) Avoid alternate wetting and drying.

(8) Avoid admission of air to the interior of the pipe through interstices around foreign objects, such as timber, brick work, or porous bottoms.

(9) Do not try to ventilate the interior by pipes as more harm than good is often done.

50. Fuel Consumption.—Methods of estimating fuel consumption may be based on grate areas, square feet of radiation installed, or cubic contents of buildings. The U. S. Treasury Department estimates 5 tons per sq. ft. of grate per season of 240 days, or 1 lb. of coal per cu. ft. of building contents for the same period. District heating companies estimate 500 lb. of steam per sq. ft. of direct steam radiation per season or practically 70 lb. of coal of good quality.

50*a*. Combustion.—Combustion, as the term is used in steam engineering, is the rapid chemical combination of oxygen with the carbon, hydrogen, and sulphur composing the various fuels. This combination takes place at high temperatures with the evolution of light and heat. It is necessary to provide for an excess of air of from 50 to 100 % when burning coal, due to the inert nitrogen, of from 18 to 24 lb. of air per pound of coal. Less air results in imperfect combustion and the formation of carbon monoxide, Co.

TABLE 32.—ALLOWABLE RATES OF COMBUSTION ON HAND FIRED BOILERS WITH NATURAL DRAFT

Grate areas	Lb. of coal per sq. ft. grate per hr.
6 sq. ft. or less—small	5
6 to 10 sq. ft.—medium	8.7
10 sq. ft. or larger	6.6 to 10
10 to 18 sq. ft.	6 to 10
20 to 30 sq. ft.	10 to 15

With stokers and forced draft, sufficient coal may be burned to operate boilers 200 to 300 % of rated capacity and with a combusion rate as high as 50 lb. per sq. ft. of grate per hr.

51. Smoke.—Visible smoke is composed chiefly of small particles of carbon. The actual carbon in dense smoke amounts to about 1 % of the carbon in the fuel. The accompanying loss is due more to combustible gases which may amount from 3 to 10 %. High CO and smoke in the stack gases represent high losses, not so much in themselves as in the indication of unburned hydro-carbons.

Some of the causes of smoke are: (1) The furnaces and the grates are not properly designed to burn the amount of fuel fired. There is no equipment on the market that will burn equally well all coals found in the United States. (2) Draft too small. (3) Unskilled firemen. (4) Combustion space too small. (5) Wood, paper, and other refuse burned. (6) Sudden space in the load. (7) Excessive loads maintained. (8) Failure of gases and air to mix. (9) Low temperature in furnace.

If the boiler setting is tight and the flue gases contain no more than 12 % CO_2, there is an abundance of air, If the furnace is white hot, there is sufficient temperature. If there is an abundance of air, with CO in the gases. insufficient mixture is the trouble. Too small combustion space is probably the most common of all causes of smoke. The grate must be at such a distance below the heating surface that the flame will be burned out before it reaches the heating surface.

The following measures will assist in preventing smoke:

1. The coal should be supplied in small quantities and at frequent intervals.

2. The air supply should be slightly in excess of the theoretical requirements as an auxiliary supply at the front or rear of the furnace to burn the gases.

3. The furnace temperature should be sufficiently high to ignite the gases.

4. A fire brick combustion chamber designed to cause a thorough mixing of the gases and air should be provided.

5. Steam jets usually placed above the fire door are used to assist in mixing the air and gases. The best method is to admit air through small openings around the jet which acts as an injector. If allowed to run continously, their operation costs more than the value of the coal saved.

6. Proper firing methods.

7. By use of down draft boilers and stokers.

52. Chimneys.—Chimneys are for two purposes: (1) to carry off obnoxious gases, and (2) to produce draft and so furnish power to draw air into the furnace to properly support combustion. The first requires area of cross section and the second, height.

Each pound of coal burned yields from 13 to 30 lb. of gas, the volume of which varies with the temperature. The weight of gas to be carried off by the chimney in a given time depends on three things: (1) effective area of chimney and velocity of flow; (2) the density of the gas; and (3) the friction offered by the passage of the gases. The density decreases directly as the absolute temperature and the velocity increases with a given height in proportion to the square root of the temperature. It follows that there is a temperature at which the weight of gas is a maximum. This is about 550 deg. above the surrounding air. This quantity is only about 4 % greater than at 300 deg. temperature.

The intensity of draft is independent of the area of the chimney and depends entirely on the difference in weight of the outside and inside columns of air which varies as the product of the height into the difference in temperature. To find the maximum draft with 550 deg. difference between the outside and inside temperature, multiply the height in feet above the grate by 0.007 and the product will be the draft in inches of water.

53. Chimneys for Power Plants.—The effective area of a chimney is different from the actual area due to friction of the walls. For preliminary work, Table 33 may be used for approximation. This table is based on the use of 5 lb. coal per horsepower per hour.

TABLE 33.—APPROXIMATE HORSEPOWER FOR DIFFERENT HEIGHTS AND AREAS BURNING 5 LB. COAL PER HORSEPOWER PER HOUR

Diameter (inches)	Height of chimneys and commercial horsepower											Side of square (inches)	Effective area (sq. ft.)	Actual area (sq. ft.)
	50 ft.	60 ft.	70 ft.	80 ft.	90 ft.	100 ft.	110 ft.	125 ft.	150 ft.	175 ft.	200 ft.			
18	23	25	27	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	0.97	1.77
21	35	38	41	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	1.47	2.41
24	49	54	58	62	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	2.08	3.14
27	65	72	78	83	..	...	...	....	...	...	...	24	2.78	3.98
30	84	92	100	107	113	...	...	...	...	...	...	27	3.58	4.91
33	..	115	125	133	141	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	4.48	5.94
36	..	141	152	163	173	182	...	...	...	...	...	32	5.47	7.07
39	..	...	183	196	208	219	...	...	...	...	...	35	6.57	8.30
42	..	...	216	231	245	258	271	...	...	...	...	38	7.76	9.62
48	..	...	...	311	330	348	365	389	...	...	...	43	10.44	12.57
54	..	...	...	363	427	449	472	503	551	...	...	48	13.51	15.90
60	..	...	...	505	536	565	593	632	692	748	...	54	16.98	19.64
66	..	...	...	...	658	694	728	776	849	918	981	59	20.83	23.76
72	..	...	...	...	792	835	876	934	1023	1105	1181	64	25.08	28.27
78	..	...	...	...	...	995	1038	1107	1212	1310	1400	70	29.73	33.18
84	..	...	...	...	...	1163	1214	1294	1418	1531	1637	75	34.76	38.48
90	..	...	...	...	...	1344	1415	1496	1639	1770	1893	80	40.19	44.18
96	..	...	...	...	...	1537	1616	1720	1876	2027	2167	86	46.01	50.27
102	..	...	...	...	...	....	....	1946	2133	2303	2462	90	52.23	56.75
108	..	...	...	...	...	....	....	2192	2402	2594	2773	96	58.83	63.62
114	..	...	...	...	...	....	....	2459	2687	2903	3003	101	65.83	70.88
120	..	...	...	...	....	....	....	....	2990	3230	3452	106	73.22	78.54
126	..	...	...	...	...	....	....	....	3308	3573	3820	112	81.00	86.59
132	..	...	...	...	...	....	....	....	3642	3935	4205	117	89.19	95.03
138	..	...	...	...	...	....	....	....	3991	4311	4608	122	97.75	103.86
144	..	...	...	...	...	....	....	....	4357	4707	5031	127	106.72	113.10

The following discussion and methods were published in the Heating and Ventilating Magazine, March and April, 1917.

The most common error made in regard to chimneys is that of not distinguishing between the size (which governs the volume of smoke they can handle) and the height (which determines the intensity of the draft). A chimney may be *high* enough yet with an *area* too small to do the work required. On the other hand, it may be *large* enough but *too low to* produce a *draft* of the strength required to pull the air through the fire and up the chimney at a sufficiently rapid rate. Either fault, or a combination of both, will result in unsatisfactory service and will require remedying.

Chimneys have to overcome their own losses consisting of the friction of the gases rubbing against the sides in their upward passage. For this reason, a circular shaped flue is most desirable; the next, square; and after that oblong with the long side not more than double the length of the short side.

The most efficient chimney, as far as draft is concerned, is one built perfectly straight from the bottom up, round (or nearly round) in the shape of the interior flue, and lined with tile, or with the interior surface made as smooth as possible by other means. There is no advantage in tapering the inside of a chimney to a smaller size toward the top for it only retards the flow of the gases.

Steel is most efficient but unless well painted is apt to deteriorate from corrosion after a very few years, especially on heating plants when inoperative in summer. Radial brick chimneys are becoming quite common. Reinforced concrete is also used.

A square chimney can hardly be figured as having its full area effective, a deduction of 10 to 15% being necessary on account of the spiral movement of the gases leaving the corners dead and inactive. With an oblong shape the effect is more pronounced, a deduction of 25% being none too much. The use of tile flues will not only aid this slightly owing to their rounded corners, but will also safeguard much of the fire risk due to mortar falling out between the bricks as time passes, and leaving openings through which a spark might pass. As the tile serves to retain the gases and smoke, it also prevents leakage which can spoil a chimney action at any time no matter how perfectly the flue may otherwise be built.

TABLE 34.—DRAFT LOSS IN FIRE

(In. of water)

Fuel	Pounds of coal per square foot per hour burned on grates								
	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45
Anthracite,									
No. 3 buck	0.15	0.40	0.75	1.24					
No. 1 buck	0.10	0.24	0.44	0.68	1.00				
Pea	0.06	0.16	0.30	0.45	0.65	0.90	1.20		
Bituminous,									
Semi bituminous	0.05	0.10	0.18	0.26	0.35	0.45	0.58	0.70	0.78
Penn. Ala. Ill. & Ind	0.04	0.09	0.15	0.22	0.28	0.38	0.45	0.55	0.60
Slack	0.04	0.07	0.10	0.15	0.20	0.27	0.34	0.40	0.50
Run of mine	0.04	0.05	0.08	0.10	0.14	0.16	0.20	0.25	0.32
On chain grate	0.05	0.12	0.15	0.23	0.31	0.44	0.57	0.75	0.94

For ordinary installations the burning of 5 lb. of coal per horsepower is usually assumed. The maximum number of pounds of coal which a boiler must consume divided by the grate area in square feet will give the number of pounds of coal burned per square foot of grate.

The draft losses in boilers run about as follows:

Type of boiler	Per cent. of nominal rating developed		
	100	150	200
	Loss in inches of water		
Water tube	0.25	0.40	0.70
H. R. T.	0.20	0.30	0.45
Vertical	0.10	0.15	0.20

As heating boilers are seldom run at any overload, 0.25 or 0.30 may be taken as covering the draft loss in any such boiler.

Economizers add 0.30 in. to the draft loss.

Draft losses for bends and smoke breeching are:

Steel flues per 100 ft. run, 0.10 in.; for each 90 deg. bend, 0.05 in.

Concrete per 100 ft. run, 0.20 in.; for each 90 deg. bend, 0.10 in.

Note.— Include every bend from the boiler uptake to the stack, counting the turn upward in the stack as one bend.

54. Operation of Determining Size of Chimneys for Power.—(1) Determine the maximum number of pounds of fuel to be burned and pounds of gas required per second from the following table which is based on 18 lb. of gas per hr. per pound of coal.

REQUIRED POUNDS OF COAL AND AIR FOR HORSEPOWERS AT VARIOUS EFFICIENCIES

(Pounds of coal per boiler horsepower developed)

Total pounds of coal	Horsepower developed							Pounds of gas per second
	4	4½	5	5½	6	6½	7	
1,000	250	222	200	182	167	154	143	5.0
1,500	375	333	300	273	250	231	214	7.5
2,000	500	444	400	363	333	308	286	10.0
2,500	625	555	500	455	416	385	357	12.5
3,000	750	667	600	545	500	461	429	15.0
4,000	1,000	889	800	727	667	615	571	20.0
5,000	1,250	1,111	1,000	909	833	769	714	25.0
7,500	1,875	1,667	1,500	1,364	1,250	1,154	1,071	38.0
10,000	2,500	2,222	2,000	1,818	1,667	1,538	1,429	50.0

(2) Increase the volume due to the altitude of the plant by the percentage in the accompanying table corresponding to that altitude.

Air at higher elevation than sea level expands and requires a chimney of larger area to handle the same number of pounds at the same velocity and friction loss. The table below gives the percentage of increase for various heights up to 10,000 ft. above sea level.

FACTORS OF AIR AT VARIOUS ELEVATIONS

Elevations above sea level (feet)	Air pressure (lb. per sq. in.)	Cubic feet per pound	Increase in volume (per cent.)
	14.7	13.33	0.000
1,000	14.2	13.80	0.034
2,000	13.7	14.31	0.073
3,000	13.2	14.84	0.113
4,000	12.7	15.43	0.158
5,000	12.2	16.07	0.203
6,000	11.7	16.75	0.257
8,000	10.7	18.31	0.373
10,000	9.7	20.20	0.514

(3) From Art. 53 determine the friction of fuel bed, breeching, and all other resistances in inches of water and add 0.2 in. for chimney loss and 0.1 in. for safety. This will be the required theoretical draft in inches of water.

(4) From Diagram 10 determine the proper height of chimney to produce the necessary draft to overcome the summation of resistances using the line of proper elevation.

(5) We have the height and pounds of gas, and we can read the size of chimney direct from Diagram 11, steel stacks, or Diagram 12, for brick or brick lined stacks. Modify the height found by 0.2 in. per 100 ft. or 0.3 in. per 150 ft. for stack losses.

(6) Check all results so that the factors are correct and the draft sufficient to overcome all losses.

55. Residence Chimneys.—Chimneys for residences should be of ample size, never under 40 ft. high nor less than 10 × 10 in. They should be lined with tile for the best results. Where

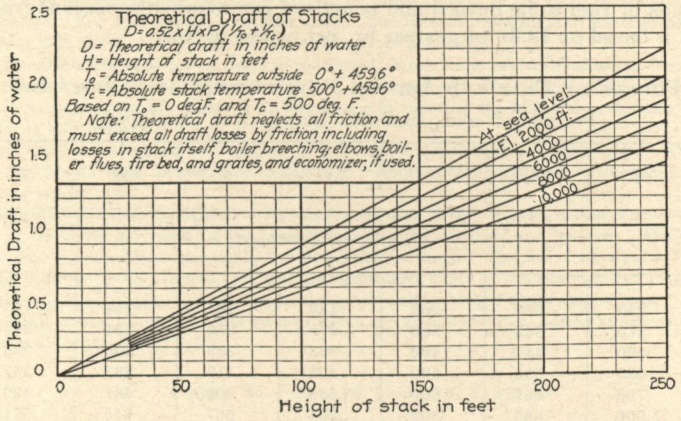


Diagram 10.

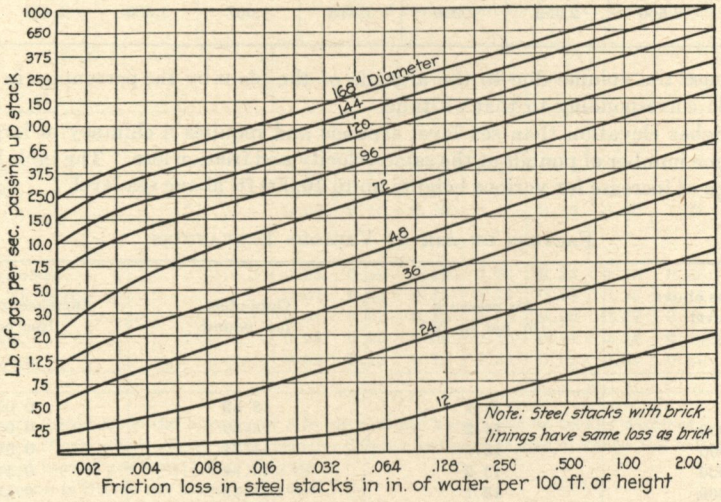


Diagram 11.

the chimney is too small or has many bends, adding radiation or boiler capacity will be of little avail. Where it is impossible to obtain the height, a boiler should be provided having only direct heating surface and a minimum of flue travel. In case the chimney is efficient, the boiler can be forced and pressure or temperature raised and the system made to work. The chimney is absolutely vital and should be given first consideration.

When square or rectangular chimneys are designed for fireplaces which burn wood or bituminous coal, they are usually made with an area of 10 to 12 % of the fireplace opening, while with round flues the area may be reduced to 8 %. For anthracite coal the rectangular or

square flue may be reduced to 8% and the round flue to 6%. Ordinary stoves are readily served with an 8 × 8-in. flue, provided no other connections are made to the stack.

All chimney walls should be 8 in. thick to avoid danger of fire from sparks working through the joints. The building laws in some cities demand not only 8-in. walls but tile linings as well.

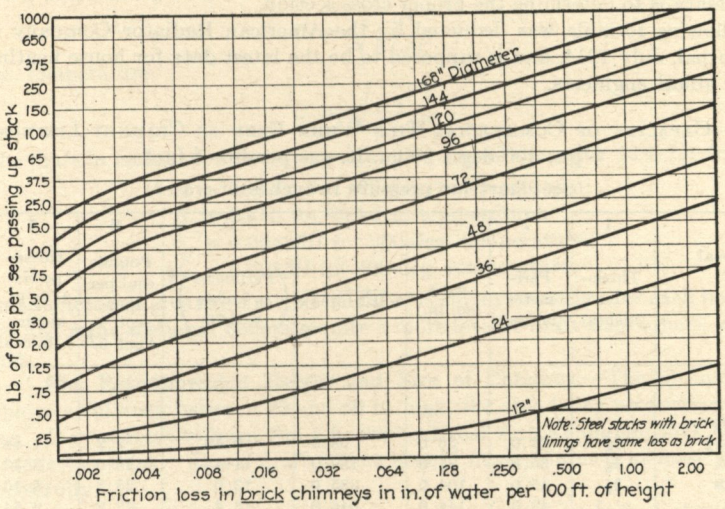


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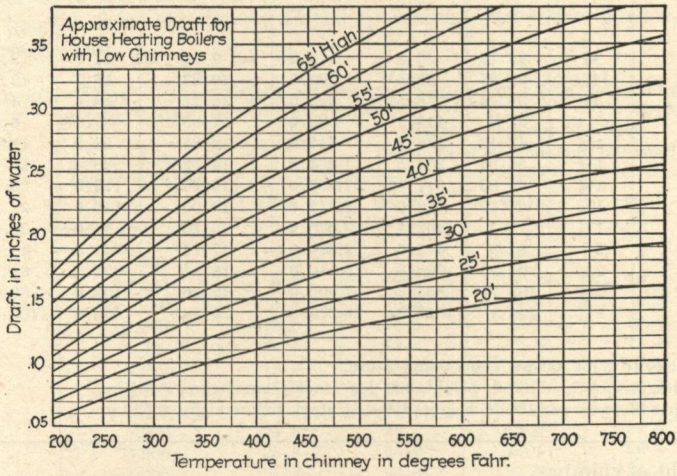


DIAGRAM 13.

The height of residence chimneys is the most important element in the house heating problem and more failures are due to chimney faults than to any other cause, inasmuch as a high flue is difficult to obtain due to the low heights of buildings.

Diagram 13 gives the available net draft less friction, for different heights and flue temperatures. Table 35 gives the capacity in pounds of coal per hour, square feet of standard radiation, and horsepower of work for different sizes of commercial flue tile when used as chimney linings. If the flue temperature and height is known and the draft pressure determined in inches of

water, all that remains is to select a type of boiler that will furnish the required capacity with that available draft rather than from the catalogue ratings. The boiler manufacturer will have to be consulted in cases where this determination is desirable. The table is made out for a flue temperature of 400 deg. and 10 % capacity must be deducted for 300-deg. flue temperature. In larger plants, the buildings are higher and the chimney height as a rule solves itself and all that is necessary is to determine the proper cross section.

The following formula was deducted by the American Radiator Company in the Ideal Heating Journal, July 1914, and is supposed to be the latest data for house heating chimneys by the very ablest engineers.

TABLE 35.—CAPACITY OF COMMERCIAL TILE WHEN USED AS CHIMNEY LININGS (Temp. of gas 400 deg.) 25 cu. ft. gas per lb. of fuel

(See chart for pressure in inches of water)

Commercial size of tile (inches)	1 Thickness (inches)	2 Perimeter (inches)	3 Area (sq. in.)	4 $\sqrt{0.1\ (\text{area})^3}$	5 $\left(\frac{\text{Perimeter in inches}}{3.73}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$	6 Pounds coal per hour $\left(\frac{\text{col. 4}}{\text{col. 5}}\right)$	7 Horsepower 34½ lb. steam, 5 lb. coal	8 Square feet standard direct radiation 0.25 lb. per sq. ft. col. 7 × 138
Outside measurement								
8½ × 8½	¾	24.0	36.0	68.0	9.46	7.2	1.44	198.7
8½ × 13	¾	35.0	71.0	189.0	11.4	16.6	3.32	458.2
8½ × 18	¾	45.0	104.0	335.0	13.0	25.8	5.16	712.2
13 × 13	1	48.0	144.0	546.0	13.4	48.2	9.64	1330.0
13 × 18	1	54.0	176.0	738.0	14.2	52.0	10.4	1,435.2
18 × 18	1	64.0	256.0	1,295.0	15.45	83.8	16.76	2,313.0
Inside diameter (round)								
8	¾	25.13	50.3	113.0	9.64	11.7	2.34	323.0
9	13/16	28.27	63.6	160.5	10.25	15.7	3.14	433.3
10	⅞	31.44	78.54	220.0	10.77	20.4	4.1	566.0
12	1	37.7	113.1	380.0	11.85	32.07	6.41	885.0
15	1⅛	47.12	176.7	744.0	13.25	56.2	11.24	1,551.0
18	1¼	56.55	254.5	1,284.0	14.52	88.4	17.7	2,443.0
20	1⅜	62.83	314.16	1,758.0	15.29	115.0	23.0	3,174.0
22	1⅝	69.12	380.0	2,342.0	16.05	146.0	29.2	4,030.0
24	1⅝	75.4	452.4	3,030.0	16.76	181.0	36.2	4,996.0
27	2	84.8	572.6	4,340.0	17.77	244.0	48.8	6,734.0
30	2⅛	91.25	706.8	5,940.0	18.44	322.1	64.4	8,888.0
33	2¼	103.7	855.3	7,906.0	19.66	402.0	80.4	11,095.0
36	2½	113.1	1017.9	10,270.0	20.53	500.0	100.0	13,800.0

Reduce capacity 10 % for 300 deg. stack temperature.
Draft in inches of water per 100-ft. height, 300-deg. stack temperature, 0.435 in.
Draft in inches of water per 100-ft. height, 400-deg. stack temperature, 0.550 in.

H = height of chimney.
d_a = draft pressure in inches of water to overcome resistance of flue, furnace, stack, and produce velocity.
P = perimeter of flue.
a = area of flue in square inches.
C = coal per hour.

For 400-deg. stack temperature

$$H = \frac{164 d_a}{1 - \frac{3.73 P C^2}{a^3}} \qquad (1)$$

For 300-deg. temperature

$$H = \frac{206 d_a}{1 - \frac{4.14 P C^2}{a^3}} \tag{2}$$

If 10% is allowed for stack friction, for 400-deg. temperature, the last term of the denominator will equal 0.1, and solving for C we have

$$C = \sqrt{\frac{a^3}{37.3P}} \tag{3}$$

For 300-deg. temperature

$$C = \sqrt{\frac{a^3}{41.4P}} \tag{4}$$

Knowing the draft in inches of water, the height of stack will be, with 10% for friction

$H = 182.2 d_a$ for 400-deg. temperature.
$H = 230 d_3$ for 300-deg. temperature.
$d_a = 0.00435H$ for 300-deg. temperature.
$d_a = 0.0055H$ for 400-deg. temperature.

Most manufacturers give the size and height of chimney necessary for each boiler. Down draft boilers and some sectional boilers require a more intense draft than others, especially the round boilers.

55a. Recommended Height and Size of Chimney.—The ordinary residence usually employs a chimney between 25 and 60 ft. high, the area being proportional to the size of the house. It is possible to burn No. 1 buckwheat coal with a chimney 55 ft. high if the fire bed is not made too thick. Down draft boilers should have chimneys at least 60 ft. high to operate successfully.

Having a chimney built upon desirable lines as far as draft is concerned, it may, of course, still be too small, and in this connection it might be said that no flue should be made less than 10-in. diameter or 10 × 10 in. square. Table 36 is by Prof. Carpenter, giving data on heights and areas of house heating chimneys with the approximate cubic contents heated, for preliminary work or estimates.

TABLE 36.—PROF. CARPENTER'S STANDARD TABLE OF CHIMNEY DIMENSIONS

Approximate cubic contents of building (gross)	Standard square feet of radiation	Height of chimney flue (feet) Diameter of chimney flue (inches)				
		30 ft.	40 ft.	50 ft.	60 ft.	80 ft.
12,500	250	7.0	6.7	6.4	6.2	6.0
20,000	500	9.2	8.8	8.2	8.0	6.6
45,000	750	10.8	10.2	9.6	9.3	8.8
60,000	1,000	12.0	11.4	10.8	10.5	10.0
90,000	1,500	14.4	13.4	12.8	12.4	11.5
140,000	2,000	16.3	15.2	14.5	14.0	13.2
240,000	3,000	18.5	18.2	17.2	16.6	15.8
320,000	4,000	22.2	20.8	19.6	19.0	17.8
400,000	5,000	24.6	23.0	21.6	21.0	19.4
480,000	6,000	26.8	25.0	23.4	22.8	21.0
560,000	7,000	28.8	27.0	25.5	24.4	23.0
640,000	8,000	30.6	28.6	26.8	26.0	24.2
810,000	9,000	32.4	30.4	28.4	27.4	25.6
900,000	10,000	34.0	32.0	30.0	28.6	27.0

The chimney top should run above the highest part of the roof and should not be less than 40 ft. above the boiler in height or less than 10 × 10-in. on the outside. It should be so located with reference to any higher buildings nearby that wind currents will not form eddies and force the air downward in the flue. A shifting cowl, which will always turn the outlet away from the adverse currents, will promote better draft.

The flue should run as nearly straight as possible from the base to the top outlet. The outlet must not be capped so that its area is less then the area of the flue. The flue should have no other openings into it except the boiler smoke pipe. Sharp bends and offsets in the flue will often reduce the area and choke the draft. The flue must be free of any feature which prevents full areas for the passage of smoke. It should be lined with tile and the joints well cemented or all space between the tile and brick work filled in tightly. There must be no open crevices into the flue where the sections meet, otherwise the draft will be checked. If the flue is made of brick, the chimney should have outside walls at least 8 in. thick to insure safety. The inside joints should be well struck; each course should be well bedded and free from surplus mortar at the joints. However, all such chimneys should be tile lined rather than to take chances on the operating results of the whole heating system.

If there is a soot pocket in the chimney below the smoke pipe opening, the clean out door of same should always be tightly closed. If this chimney flue has other openings into it—from fireplaces or other connections—these openings will check the draft and prevent best heating results from the boiler and should be eliminated.

The smoke pipe should not extend into the flue beyond the inside surface; otherwise, the end of the pipe cuts down the area of the flue. The joints, where the smoke pipe fits the smoke hood of the boiler, should be made tight with putty or asbestos cement, and asbestos cement should be used to seal the joint between smoke pipe and chimney opening. For the best results, place the chimney within the building where it is warm rather than outside where it is cold.

56. Induced and Forced Draft.—In nearly all power plants, stokers have taken the place of hand firing where there are more than 300 to 500 hp. and in some cases smaller plants are so equipped. Induced draft and forced draft are both used as a rule. The former is supplied by the chimney and the latter by blowers. The chimney is then only required to supply power to remove the gases after combustion.

In a well designed plant these two methods of producing draft are arranged so as to maintain a certain constant balance sufficient to supply the fuel bed with just the correct amount of air. The fan supplies the air with proper variation in pressure and volume by means of speed regulators. In large plants of this character, the kind of fuel and variation in load enter into the problem. Special experience is necessary in designing such systems, and stoker and fan manufacturers are always ready to assist with expert advice. The pressures and volume of air are calculated the same as for chimneys, only the power is applied in such manner that the circulation is independent at all times of the temperature.

57. Economizers.—Economizers consist of a series of vertical cast-iron tubes placed in the flue between the boiler and chimney through which the feed water passes and absorbs the heat of the flue gases above the actual temperature requirements for draft of say 350 to 400 deg. F. The tubes are provided with mechanical scrapers to keep them from being fouled with soot. Economizers require by-passes for both the gases and feed water. They are very heavy and cost per horsepower nearly as much as the boilers. By arranging the flow of the flue gas and water on the counter-current principle, the water can be heated to the final temperature of the gas in a properly designed system.

Where very high steam pressures have been carried, cast-iron tubes have been known to fail. Improvements in combustion apparatus, however, have considerably reduced the available waste in heat. There is undoubtedly about 10 % saving in the use of this apparatus, as the feed water can be heated to over 300 deg. F. with waste products. Economizers also take care of the unavoidable waste in flue temperature where great overloads are carried. By placing the feed water pump between the economizer and boiler, the excessive boiler pressure on the economizer is avoided and all danger is obviated.

Economizers are used in connection with hot water forced circulation heating systems in conserving the waste heat of chimney gases, brass furnaces, etc. There is no increase in economy over heating the feed water as it is merely diverting this source of heat from one purpose to another. They cannot as a rule be installed as a portion of the heating equipment solely and show a commercial saving on the investment due to the comparatively short duration of the heating season.

58. Mechanical Stokers.—It is acknowledged, except in the case of the smallest units under 300 hp., that for all plants, mechanical stokers and coal and ash handling machinery are absolutely necessary to reduce labor costs, eliminate smoke, and burn the fuel at rates covering a wide range of loads as well as to conserve equipment and reduce fuel charges.

For the selection of a stoker, the fuels should be classified as follows: (1) Coking and non-coking coals, (2) clinkering and non-clinkering coals, and (3) high and low ash coals.

A stoker should embody the following functions:

1. Feed the fuel at the proper rate.
2. Burn the fuel economically by employing the exact requirement of air.
3. Automatically discharge all the refuse and ash without waste in unburned fuel.
4. Automatically keep the air spaces and passages free without any by-passing of air.
5. It should not require the frequent disturbance of the fuel bed with the furnace open for the spreading of fuel to prevent air holes and removal of clinkers.

It is therefore natural that under the wide requirements of load and service with the variation in grade and type of fuel furnished, that all the conditions of service will not be fulfilled at all times with any one type of stoker; at best, all that can be done is to make a selection that will fulfill the major portion of the requirements.

Stokers may be divided into three types with slightly different arrangement for forced or natural draft: (1) chain grate, (2) over feed, and (3) under feed. Omitting the elements of first cost, relative workmanship and materials entering construction, the following are a few of the considerations that may be of assistance in the selection of type of stoker for any particular service.

For eastern coals with low ash and slight tendency to clinker, most stokers will give good results with proper handlng provided too heavy overloads are not attempted. These are coals of the coking and caking class requiring agitation of the fuel bed at least in the early stages of combustion. For this reason, movable grate bars must be used which, at times, give trouble from warping or burning when pushed into the fuel bed, especially when there is sulphur present in the fuel. The over feed with inclined grate is apt to let the fuel through the grate before complete combustion takes place when forced too hard. There is also a tendency to form clinker making it necessary to provide clinker crushers.

For anthracite, coke braise, and western coals with high ash, the chain grate is apt to be more successful as it automatically dumps all ash and a fresh clean grate surface is presented as the grate revolves. The grate area for all chain grates is large and they function particularly well with natural or induced draft. The size and length of the combustion arch when used with the chain grate is an important factor in determining the amount of fuel that can be burned or the rate.

Stokers of the overfeed and chain grate type require a combustion arch which, in itself, is no particular disadvantage outside of initial expense and maintenance costs, as it is a very effective aid to the combustion of soft coal for any type of furnace.

The under feed stokers occupy relatively small space and require forced draft. The combustion arch, however, is unnecessary. They give excellent results with coking and caking coals as the green fuel is forced up through the fuel bed, breaking up the coke masses with unlimited air supply both as to volume and pressure. This arrangement enables heavy overloads to be carried with excellent results as far as combustion is concerned. With high ash coals and heavy overloads the very high resulting furnace temperatures cause the ash to fuse forming clinker. This tendency varies with the rate of combustion and percentage of ash in the fuel.

There seems to be a tendency to make the overload capacity or range the most important requirement for stoker equipment. This may be all right from a combustion standpoint of efficiency, but most stoker troubles seem to originate from this cause. From a common sense standpoint, any program that provides for continuously excessive overloads is bad practice, especially in view of the class of labor which the ordinary manufacturer deems capable of handling his fuel, the cost of which may amount to from $75,000 to $200,000.

It makes little difference what stoker is used as the furnace temperatures made necessary by these overloads are certain to break down the brick work and put the boiler unit out of com-

mission for two or three weeks at more frequent intervals than if a more conservative operating load were maintained. During a few weeks in December public service plants are subject to extreme loads for a few hours a day. These are entirely out of their control and the service has to be maintained. This feature is exceedingly important due to the necessary increase in the amount of equipment on which fixed annual charges have to be maintained.

For industrial plants with the load more regular and entirely under control of the management, it would seem better practice to operate nearer the normal boiler rating with better evaporation, less repairs, and sufficient equipment, and such overloads as to reduce to a minimum the stand-by losses due to shifting boilers during the daily run. These stand-by losses may be reduced likewise by employing larger boiler units with fewer fires wherein a smaller percentage of overload would give a wider range in capacity.

With a rating of 10 sq. ft. of boiler heating surface, a 100 % overload would mean a reduction of 50 % in heating surface or 5 sq. ft. per hp. which must of necessity reduce the evaporation, increase the flue temperature, and reduce the life of the furnace and settings.

With a 25 to 50 % overload and 8 to 6 sq. ft. per hp., the problem would be within range of nearly all types of stokers and advantage could be taken of some excellent features in types that might not be as adaptable if the overload feature were the paramount requirement. Certainly, the question of maintenance is independent of the type of stoker where the equipment is operated hard enough to produce destructive furnace and flue temperatures.

It is not advisable to provide equipment for the absorption of more heat than can be produced by the combustion system, and the boiler surface should be proportioned for the available chimney power rather than the work to be performed; or stated otherwise, see that the combustion system is ample in capacity before considering the boiler. This applies to all heating and power boilers although the latter are not so often handicapped with low draft pressure as they are frequently overloaded.

In the design of any power plant, high economy may be obtained by operating an excess of boiler heating surface but when the expense of maintining this extra equipment is balanced against the actual increase in fuel economy, it will be found that over 10 sq. ft. of heating surface per boiler horsepower does not pay in overall economy. There is such a thing as operating too much boiler power on a given load.

Allowance should be made in all power plant installations for sufficient reserve boiler power in order that boilers may be cleaned at regular intervals during work periods.

POWER

59. Prime Movers.—There are two main types of prime movers for power generation: (1) reciprocating and (2) rotary engines,, of which latter class the turbine will be the only one considered.

Reciprocating engines as the name implies, involves a piston moving back and forth to impart rotary motion to a shaft. This requires provision of some method of stopping or cushioning the moving parts as they change direction to overcome their inertia. This is accomplished by imprisoning some of the fluid before the end of the stroke by initially closing the exhaust valve, and is known as the compression. Reciprocating engines may be single or multicylinder, double or single acting, operated by a direct explosion of gas in the cylinder or by the expansion of a charge of gas or steam at high pressure.

60. Gas Engines.—Single acting cylinders take an impulse on only one side of the piston while those double acting take an impulse on both sides. Gas engines are generally known as internal combustion engines. They are built multicylinder and single acting but the larger types are double acting, with one, two, or more cylinders.

The action of an internal combustion engine is as follows: The charge is drawn in compressed, and fired by an electric spark producing the motor impulse and the products are next expelled, so there is an impulse only once in two revolutions for each end of the cylinder. For this reason, high speeds, very heavy fly wheels, and multicylinders are provided in order to store sufficient energy to provide for the infrequency of the impulse and enhance smooth running.

They are difficult to regulate to the constant speed required for electric power generation, especially in the larger types with low speeds. The cylinders have to be water jacketed with a circulating system and in the larger sizes the pistons and piston rods have to be cooled. Their cost is very great although their fuel economy is unquestioned as compared with the steam engine, being about ⅓ of a pound of coal per horsepower or about 4000 B.t.u. They may be operated with natural, blast furnace, or producer gas, a heavy fuel oil, the engine using the latter being known as the Diesel motor. This engine depends on the high temperature of compression for ignition and explosion of the fuel charge.

The erratic performances of gas engines have been due largely to variations in the composition of the fuel gas and its resulting air requirements. Back fires are freqent, due to a charge exploding in the exhaust after leaving the engine, and sometimes difficulties are experienced with the noise of the exhaust. If there are no sulphurous or injurious products in the exhaust gas, a small water jet close to the engine will remedy the trouble. If sulphur or other impurities are present,the pipe eats out very rapidly, but these jets can then be replaced by a heater with cooling surface as close to the point of emission of the gases from the engine as practicable.

61. Steam Engines.—Steam engines are almost entirely of double acting type. Where two cylinders are used, one exhausting into the other, they are known as compound; where three are used, one exhausting to the other, they are known as triple expansion engines. The latter, at present, are confined almost entirely to marine practice. Where two cylinders are on the same piston rod, one behind the other, they are tandem compound and when connected to the shaft, either side of flywheel, they are cross compound.

Engines are also classed as to rotative speed, as high, medium, and low, although by varying the stroke they may at the same time have the same piston speed. The steam engine acts on a pressure volume basis with the work divided as nearly as possible between the cylinders when in multiple. For economy, the cylinders should have a certain volumetric relation to the changes in volume of the steam between the final and initial pressure.

When the final terminal pressure is reduced below atmosphere by condensing the steam, a further classification is made as condensing and non-condensing engines. The steam enters the cylinder at an initial pressure up to the point of cut off—generally ¼ to ½ the stroke —and is expanded producing a mean average pressure on the piston areas. The number of times this initial volume of steam is expanded before leaving the engine is termed the number of expansions. It is the reciprocal of the cut off divided by the ratio of the cylinder areas. With ¼ cut off and a ratio of cylinders 3 to 1, the ratio of the expansion would be 1:12 and the number of expansions 12 for that particular engine. The fixed quantities with any engine are the ratio of cylinders and speed. The only variable is the point of cut off, which is limited for economy to ¼ to ½ the stroke.

There is often confusion in steam rates of reciprocating engines and turbines, as the former are rated in pounds of steam per indicated horsepower, and the latter in brake horsepower, because their design prevents the use of an indicator. In the case of direct current, turbines are rated in pounds of steam per kilowatt-hour delivered at the switchboard. In the case of alternating current they are rated in kilo-volt-amperes (k.v.a.), on account of a variable power factor of from 80 to 90%, depending upon the construction of the alternator and the nature of the load. The volts and amperes as read from the switchboard is termed the apparent voltage. The actual kilowatt load is the kilovolt-ampere load times the power factor.

The reciprocating engine has a nearly constant friction load of from 10 to 20 % of the rated load, and it can be seen that the rate at one-half load will be much higher than at full load.

The indicated horsepower therefore includes all power due to losses in generator, friction load of the engine and generator, and when divided into the total steam used, would give a lower apparent rate than the turbine when the total steam is divided by the net available load at the switchboard.

Automatic high speed engines have comparatively high rotative speed with short stroke and are generally operated non-condensing. They enable a less costly generator to be used due to the high rotative speed and are very flexible in that a wide variation in the load and terminal pressure may be obtained with fair average steam rate.

There are four common types of engine valves: (1) the balanced piston valve, (2) the unbalanced D-slide valve and gridiron valve, (3) the Corliss type valve, and (4) the poppet valve. Each type is actuated by an eccentric and a governor fromthe main flywheel shaft in such a manner that it admits and releases alternately the proper amount of steam to and from the cylinder to take care of the load on the engine.

The piston valve slides back and forth in a cylinder parallel to its axis and alternately opens and closes the inlet and exhaust ports of the main cylinder. It is called a balanced valve for the pressure is equalized on both ends, thus reducing the friction. It is difficult to keep this type tight. A modification of this type is the riding cut-off of the Buckeye engine that has one sleeve working inside the other, one attached to a rod actuated by the governor for cut-off and the other, the main valve, attached to the shaft eccentric and having a fixed travel.

The D-slide valve is an arched plate sliding over a series of steam and exhaust ports known as the gridiron. This valve is not adjustable for wear and is difficult to keep steamtight. It is an unbalanced valve—that is, the pressure is much greater on one side than on the other—which causes much attendant friction in sliding over its seat or grid. A modification of this valve is provided with a pressure plate with adjustable bolts to take up wear and release the valve proper of the pressure, thus enabling it to be kept steamtight.

The Corliss valve gear consists of an eccentric which actuates a wrist plate, which in turn actuates two steam valves and two exhaust valves. Dash pots quickly close the steam valves at the proper time when the governor releases them from the wrist plate connection. The valves themselves are small rotating cylinders. They rotate back and forth through an angle of about 130 deg. Since they have a small area exposed to the live steam pressure, they are subject to much less friction than the D-slide valve, they operate more easily, and are less liable to wear, and more easily kept tight.

The poppet valve, instead of rotating or sliding as in the three former cases, rises and lowers on a seat. It is circular in form and has a beveled edge to fit its seat. There are four of these valves for each cylinder as in the case of the Corliss type, two steam valves and two exhaust valves. The length of time that the steam valves are open is governed by the load on the engine by means of a fly-ball governor geared to the main shaft. Poppet valves are well adapted to the use of superheated steam on account of its tendency to cut furrows in the metal under sliding valves.

In all single valve engines, it requires care in setting the valve as all functions of opening for the admission and closing the exhaust for compression have to be accomplished with a single movement. There are a number of medium speed engines having short stroke and fairly high speeds with Corliss valve gear for variable load conditions and terminal pressure. In many cases, they are compounded and operated condensing. They are known as four valve engines and combine the principles of the Corliss valve with comparative high rotative speed.

Nearly all reciprocating engines are counter-flow, that is, the steam flows in and out at the same end causing cylinder condensation due to the varying temperatures of the expanding steam in contact with the cylinder walls. The Unaflow engine which exhausts at the center of the cylinder, takes its name from the fact that the steam flows in one direction. They claim a perfectly tight valve is the reason for their economy. These engines are adapted to superheated steam by using a long stroke and small diameter and operating non-condensing. By so doing great economy may be obtained. There will naturally be small economy of condensing with one cylinder when the equipment cost is considered.

61*a*. Compounding.—Where very high pressures and steam temperatures are available, it pays to compound the engine on account of cylinder condensation. Compounding does increase the bulk of the engine but it does not increase its rated load. Where small units are necessary and non-condensing conditions are maintained, a lower steam pressure and higher speed will give the best overall results, especially if there is a vacuum heating system in which to use the available exhaust. Also the fluctuations of the heating and power are not so serious on a small installation.

Where engines are over 500 hp. they should be compounded, using high steam pressures and operating condensing. A large engine is seriously reduced in economy by operating it non-

condensing when designed for condensing conditions. Better overall economy due to low installation cost is obtained by condensing, using high pressure live steam for heating, due to the reduction of the engine economy, and the lack of heat balance between the heating and power with a constant steam power rate. This is amply proven by cotton mill practice in New England where the main engines are operated under high vacuum, and high pressure steam is used for heating.

Table 37 is interesting as showing the reason why high vacuums (above 26 in.) do not produce an overall economy as great in proportion to the cost with reciprocating engines. They work on a difference in pressure for an interchange in heat since the cylinder areas and piston speed are fixed. Column 1 gives the absolute pressures, Column 5 gives the total heat. It shows that in Column 9 a constantly decreasing rate in pounds pressure per B.t.u. which is 3.3 for atmosphere, 2.375 for 25 in. of vacuum, and 1.8 for 28 in. of vacuum. These physical characteristics are borne out in practice.

It is impossible to obtain in a reciprocating engine the highest economy and flexibility of load. There is a point at which any engine will do better, depending on the elements of design already discussed. Therefore, in selecting a type of engine, its design should be modified so as to be most economical under the conditions of major operation, and at the same time furnish the full required power load under all conditions of operating pressures.

TABLE 37.—RELATION OF VOLUMES AND PRESSURES OF STEAM AS AFFECTING THE ECONOMY OF TURBINES AND ENGINES

Absolute pressure (lb.)	Gage pressure (lb.)	Temperature of steam (deg.F.)	Difference in initial and final pressure (lb.)	Total B.t.u. per lb.	Difference in B.t.u. per lb.	Volume per lb. cu. ft.	Difference in volume (cu. ft.) Final and initial pressure	Difference between final and initial pressure	
								Pounds pressure per B.t.u.	Cu. ft. volume per B.t.u.
(1) Steam table	(2) Steam table	(3) Steam table	(4) 165 − Col. 1	(5) Steam table	(6) 1195 − Col. 5	(7) Steam table	(8) Col. 7 − 2.754	(9) Col. 4 ÷ Col. 6	(10) Col. 8 ÷ Col. 6
165.0	150	366	0	1195	0	2.754	0		
14.7	0	212	150.3	1150	45	27.0	24.3	3.3	0.54
9.34	10″ vac	190	155.7	1142	53	41.0	38.3	2.94	0.723
4.74	20″ vac	160	160.3	1130	65	77.0	74.3	2.46	1.143
1.94	26″ vac	125	163.0	1115	80	178.0	175.3	2.375	2.23
0.95	28″ vac	100	164.0	1103	92	351.0	348.3	1.8	3.82

62. Steam Turbines.—There are three types of tubines; (1) the impulse wheel wherein the steam is first expanded through a nozzle, (2) the reaction type, and (3) the several combinations of the two.

All turbines are very uneconomical and the load capacity goes down rapidly with reduced vacuum, but the impulse wheel under the conditions of design for full vacuum will have less capacity than the reaction type for loss of vacuum. The reason for the effectiveness of high vacuum in the case of turbo-generators is shown in Table 37, Column 10. The cubic feet per B.t.u. for atmosphere is 0.54, for 10-in. vacuum 0.723, for 20-in. vacuum 1.143, for 26-in. vacuum 2.23, and for 28-in. vacuum 3.82, or 28-in. vacuum is over 1½ times as effective as 26-in. vacuum. These are not quite true ratios but are simply given so as to convey the physical reason for these conditions.

62*a*. Impulse Type.—If a nozzle is arranged so that the difference in area of the inlet and the outlet end corresponds to the initial and terminal volumes of the pressures, the steam will be fully expanded and the entire pressure transformed into velocity. Table 37 gives the volume at 150 lb. as 2.754 cu. ft. per lb., and at 28 in. of vacuum as 348.3 cu.. ft. per

lb. so the relative areas would be $\frac{348.4}{2.754} = 127$ times. However, when steam is expanded there is no increase in velocity beyond that corresponding to about 60% of the initial pressure. This steam pressure would all be changed to velocity and if it strikes a moving vane at twice the speed of the vane, it will be operating under conditions of maximum economy. In practice these vanes and nozzles are divided in stages as there is a limit to the speed that a disk of this kind can operate without rupture. This is the principle of the impulse turbine and any change in the terminal pressures requires a change in the nozzle relation, or the economy suffers. So long as they operate under the condition for which they were designed the economy will be slightly greater than for the reaction type. The stationary blades are used simply to change the direction of flow to enter the next wheel.

62*b*. Reaction Type.—The reaction type is a series of stationary blades on the stator or cylinder between which the moving blades on the rotor or spindle revolve. The velocities are not so great and the action is one entirely of steam expansion and reduction of pressure in the buckets themselves there being no nozzles.

62*c*. Impulse Reaction Type.—This is a combination of the two types utilizing nozzles and impulse wheels in the high pressure stages and reaction blading in the low pressure or vacuum stages.

There are various other types of impulse and reaction turbines, such as low pressure and mixed pressure. These are extremely economical where exhaust steam is going to waste from any source, such as from steam hammers. The fluctuation of the available exhaust steam to make the power supply constant is supplemented by passing live steam through a reducing valve with some attendant superheat or by adding the live steam through an impulse wheel and passing the exhaust from the hammers in between the impulse wheel and the reaction blading. With 28-in. vacuum a kilowatt can be generated with about 35 to 40 lb. of exhaust at 16-lb. absolute pressure.

In bleeder turbines, the same scheme is used as extracting steam from the receiver of a reciprocating engine but in a different form. This steam can be bled at 5 lb. pressure up to about 25% of the capacity of the machine. The economy for the power recovery is no greater than any high pressure turbine exhausting at 5 lb. back pressure, and as a rule the steam rate for this portion would be over 40 to 50 lb. per kw. The terminal pressure will always fix the steam rate of any engine within limits.

Due to the fact that economical turbines require such high speed, it would be impossible to commutate with direct current direct-connected generators. There is the alternative of sacrificing economy by a reduction of speed in direct connecting, or resorting to reduction gears. It is always a good idea to avoid gears wherever possible by using some other method. Alternators and motor generators give one solution.

63. Superheated Steam.—The use of superheated steam is more economical on any engine or turbine than saturated steam, the economy being inherent in the physical properties of the steam rather than being due to the type of engine, as a greater volume of steam at any pressure is obtained with superheat from a given weight of water making a greater pressure range for a given amount of heat. It will, however, decrease the wear on the blades which deteriorate rapidly when entrained water is in the steam. It also reduces the cylinder condensation when used in reciprocating engines, although the latter, for very high steam temperatures, require poppet valves and a different type of construction than the regular engine. These advantages are additional to those previously scheduled.

64. Comparisons of Engines and Turbines.—For first cost, condensing conditions, space occupied, simplicity and durability, the turbo-generator cannot be surpassed. For non-condensing conditions, the reciprocating engine is better, as well as for conditions for large units where low vacuum (26 in. and below) only is available. Even in the latter case, the advantages over the turbo-generator are but slight.

The most economical arrangement for power as far as operation is concerned, is the combination of the reciprocating engine for the steam between the initial pressure and atmosphere and the use of a low pressure turbine between atmosphere or 16 lb. absolute and 28 or 29 in. of

vacuum. The first cost and space of a new installation does not warrant the investment over the condensing turbine but where the engines are already installed it is an excellent method of improving the economy. A fairly large unit will furnish a kilowatt on between 35 to 40 lb. of exhaust steam after passing the reciprocating engine.

65. Condensing Water Required.—The condensing of steam to produce a vacuum and reduce the back pressure involves the absorption of the latent heat of the steam of about 1040 B.t.u. per lb. and the removal of all extrained air. The amount of water necessary to cool a pound of steam if its outboard temperature is limited to 90 deg. and its entrance temperature to 70 deg. as is possible in summer, is $\frac{1040}{20} = 52$ lb. per lb. of steam. As some of the heat has already been taken up by radiation and in the form of entrained moisture, 950 to 1000 B.t.u. per lb. can be used as the latent heat of the exhaust steam.

66. Removal of Entrained Air.—If there were no air present, the temperature of the condensate from a condenser would indicate the vacuum or absolute pressure. The amount of air present is determined by the relation of this temperature with the corresponding pressure; as the pressure is what is desired for economy, the removal of the air must be accomplished by a dry air pump. The question of air removal is not as serious in vacuums below 25 in. but becomes absolutely imperative for vacuums from 25 to 29 in. When the air is handled by one pump and the condensate by another, the system is known as dry. When only one pump is used for both air and water, it is known as the wet system.

67. Condensers.—Condensers are classed as surface condensers and jet condensers. The former require tube heating surface with cold water pumped through the tubes, and jet condensers have a jet of water mingling with the steam. Surface condensers cost more but where water for the boilers is bad, they pay for themselves in a short time due to the re-use of the purified condensate, to say nothing of the heat contained in the returned water. In case the vacuum drops on a surface condenser it will recover, but with the jet types, if it goes anywhere near as low as 10 in., it will break and the machine will have to be shut down to reestablish the vacuum. The surface condenser will use less injection water and by increasing the surface and pumpage, much higher temperatures may be used than with the jet condenser without breaking the vacuum.

68. Auxiliaries.—Dry air pumps, circulating pumps, and similar auxiliaries are generally operated by independent steam driven units inasmuch as with high vacuums it is necessary to use some exhaust steam to raise the condensate from 120 to 210 deg. for feed purposes. This may be a source of waste if too little attention is paid to the amount of power obtained before the exhaust steam is utilized; for instance, small non-condensing turbines sometimes use more steam than that required by the main units. It is just as important to obtain a fair water rate and corresponding power recovery from this auxiliary steam as from the main units.

There are numbers of plants that would show a saving if live steam were used to heat the feed water and the auxiliary were condensed, because so little actual efficient power generation is obtained from this steam. Especially is this true if there is a waste to the atmosphere from fluctuation of the load. This can be avoided by operating part of the auxiliaries electrically.

Where there are no ponds or natural sources of water supply, a system of cooling may be installed based on an air supply or the mechanical evaporation of water. There are two methods: (1) cooling towers and (2) spray ponds.

Cooling towers are of four classes: (1) natural draft closed type, (2) forced draft, (3) natural draft open type, and (4) natural and forced draft combined. The cooling of the water in towers is accomplished by evaporation, convection, and radiation, but mainly by evaporation. It is necessary to evaporate in the tower an amount of water equivalent to the condensate but as a matter of fact, the loss and use of water from a cooling tower is less than when the engines exhaust to the atmosphere. Assuming a non-condensing engine uses 40 lb. of steam per kw.-hr. at the switchboard, all except 10 % retained for heating feed water, is exhausted to the atmosphere and lost. A cooling tower and condenser would use not more than 25 lb. per kw-.hr. or save about 30 %.

Where land is available, a spray pond is the least costly method of cooling injection water. The idea is to spray a film of water into the air bringing as great a surface in contact with the surrounding air as possible. Both cooling towers and spray ponds are apt to throw water in finely divided drops on surrounding property, and this fault should be cared for in selecting any system as well as its location. The Ford Motor Company uses the roof of one of its buildings as a spray pond and all of the condensing capacity for the main engine plant is handled in this manner; there is, however, considerable fine spray thrown when the wind blows heavily from certain directions, although not in any way serious.

PIPING AND FITTINGS

69. Pipe.—Standard pipe may be used for any and all purposes in heating and power work as it is tested to 500 lb. pressure and over. The relative values of steel and wrought-iron pipe are at present one of cost. Wrought-iron pipe as made by Byers Company is probably purer iron which accounts for its longer life. In steam heating systems it makes little or no difference except in the case of the return pipes which deteriorate more rapidly than in any other service. In hot water systems if the water is not changed in the system so as to admit air, either wrought iron or steel lasts indefinitely. If the water is changed and the air is allowed to enter the system dissolved in the water, there is apt to be trouble in any case. Steel pipe made by the Bessemer process is apt to have impurities. Impure places are generally the points where chemical action shows first. Water pipes for domestic service, even when galvanized, are short lived in many cases.

The secret of non-corrosion in all piping is the purity of the iron, whether steel or wrought iron. The latter, due to its process of manufacture in a puddling furnace, is apt to be purer metal but this carries no assurance of the fact. Table 38 is a complete list of standard pipe dimensions.

70. Joints and Flanges.—In all high pressure piping and in fact where large sizes are used for any purpose, bends should be used to eliminate fittings and joints. For high pressure work there are four types of joints: (1) the screwed joint, (2) the Van Stone joint, (3) the welded joint, and (4) the shrunk joint. In the last two cases the pipe is rigidly and permanently fastened to the flange by shrinking or welding. In the case of the Van Stone or Cranelap, the flanges are loose on the pipe and the laps of the pipe are clamped between them.

Flanges are made of cast iron and forged steel. In all cases the face of the joint should be machined. The Van Stone joint with a perfectly smooth finish to the laps of the pipe, makes the best joint although some prefer the other types. Flanges of all types are made standard and of extra heavy cast iron, or extra heavy steel for superheated steam.

There are various types of gaskets on the market which serve well for this service, such as corrugated copper which is all right for saturated steam. Corrugated steel should be used for superheated steam. Plain rubber or "rainbow" with screwed flanges, is best for hot water and steam heating. In some stations, ground joints are used with no gasket, the faces of the joint being ground off until they fit perfectly. Some years ago one face was actually ground against another. Using rough surfaces, several kinds of material in the gaskets, and grooved faces are no improvement over a perfectly smooth surface, with or without the thinnest kind of a gasket. The surfaces being smooth and perfectly faced have more to do with making tight joints than anything else. Bolts should all have finished hexagonal nuts and bolt holes should be spot faced.

71. Rules for Flanged Fittings.—*American* 1915 *Standard, Extra Heavy.*—1. Extra heavy reducing elbows carry same dimensions center to face as regular elbows of largest straight size.

2. Extra heavy tees, crosses and laterals, reducing on run only, carry same dimensions face to face as largest straight size.

3. Where long turn fittings are specified, it has reference only to elbows which are made in two center to face dimensions and to be known as elbows and long-turn elbows, the latter being used only when so specified.

TABLE 38.—STANDARD WROUGHT PIPE—TABLE OF STANDARD DIMENSIONS

Size (in.)	Diameters		Nominal thickness (in.)	Circumference		Transverse areas			Length of pipe per square foot of		Length of pipe containing 1 cu. ft. (ft.)	Nominal weight per foot		Number of threads per inch of screw
	External (in.)	Approximate internal (in.)		External (in.)	Internal (in.)	External (sq. in.)	Internal (sq. in.)	Metal (sq. in.)	External surface (ft.)	Internal surface (ft.)		Plain ends	Threaded and coupled	
⅛	0.405	0.269	0.068	1.272	0.845	0.129	0.057	0.072	9.431	14.199	2533.775	0.244	0.245	27
¼	0.540	0.364	0.088	1.696	1.144	0.229	0.104	0.125	7.073	10.493	1383.789	0.424	0.425	18
⅜	0.675	0.493	0.091	2.121	1.549	0.358	0.191	0.167	5.658	7.747	754.360	0.567	0.568	18
½	0.840	0.622	0.109	2.639	1.954	0.554	0.304	0.250	4.547	6.141	473.906	0.850	0.852	14
¾	1.050	0.824	0.113	3.299	2.589	0.866	0.533	0.333	3.637	4.635	270.034	1.130	1.134	14
1	1.315	1.049	0.133	4.131	3.296	1.358	0.864	0.494	2.904	3.641	166.618	1.678	1.684	11½
1¼	1.660	1.380	0.140	5.215	4.335	2.164	1.495	0.669	2.301	2.767	96.275	2.272	2.281	11½
1½	1.900	1.610	0.145	5.969	5.058	2.835	2.036	0.799	2.010	2.372	70.733	2.717	2.731	11½
2	2.375	2.067	0.154	7.461	6.494	4.430	3.355	1.075	1.608	1.847	42.913	3.652	3.678	11½
2½	2.875	2.469	0.203	9.032	7.757	6.492	4.788	1.704	1.328	1.547	30.077	5.793	5.819	8
3	3.500	3.068	0.216	10.996	9.638	9.621	7.393	2.228	1.091	1.245	19.479	7.575	7.516	8
3½	4.000	3.548	0.226	12.566	11.146	12.566	9.886	2.680	0.954	1.076	14.565	9.109	9.202	8
4	4.500	4.026	0.237	14.137	12.648	15.904	12.730	3.174	0.848	0.948	11.312	10.790	10.889	8
4½	5.000	4.506	0.247	15.708	14.156	19.635	15.947	3.688	0.763	0.847	9.030	12.538	12.642	8
5	5.563	5.047	0.258	17.477	15.856	24.306	20.006	4.300	0.686	0.756	7.198	14.617	14.810	8
6	6.625	6.065	0.280	20.813	19.054	34.472	28.891	5.581	0.576	0.629	4.984	18.974	19.185	8
7	7.625	7.023	0.301	23.955	22.063	45.664	38.738	6.926	0.500	0.543	3.717	23.544	23.769	8
8	8.625	8.071	0.277	27.096	25.356	58.426	51.161	7.265	0.442	0.473	2.815	24.696	25.000	8
8	8.625	7.981	0.322	27.096	25.073	58.426	50.027	8.399	0.442	0.478	2.878	28.554	28.809	8
9	9.625	8.941	0.342	30.238	28.089	72.760	62.786	9.974	0.396	0.427	2.294	33.907	34.188	8
10	10.750	10.192	0.279	33.772	32.019	90.763	81.585	9.178	0.355	0.374	1.765	31.201	32.000	8
10	10.750	10.136	0.307	33.772	31.843	90.763	80.691	10.072	0.355	0.376	1.785	34.240	35.000	8
10	10.750	10.020	0.365	33.772	31.479	90.763	78.855	11.908	0.355	0.381	1.826	40.483	41.132	8
11	11.750	11.000	0.375	36.914	34.558	108.434	95.033	13.401	0.325	0.347	1.515	45.557	46.247	8
12	12.750	12.090	0.330	40.055	37.982	127.676	114.800	12.876	0.299	0.315	1.254	43.773	45.000	8
12	12.750	12.000	0.375	40.055	37.699	127.676	113.097	14.579	0.299	0.318	1.273	49.562	50.706	8

4. Extra heavy fittings must be guaranteed for 250 lb. working pressure, and each fitting must have some mark cast on it indicating the maker and guaranteed working steam pressure.

5. All extra heavy fittings and flanges to have a raised surface $\frac{1}{16}$ in. high inside of bolt holes for gaskets. Thickness of flanges and center to face dimensions of fittings include this raised surface. Bolt holes to be $\frac{1}{8}$ in. larger in diameter than bolts. Both holes to straddle center lines.

6. Size of all fittings scheduled indicates inside diameter of ports.

7. Square head bolts with hexagonal nuts are generally recommended for use.

8. Double branch elbows, side outlet elbows and side outlet tees, whether straight or reducing sizes, carry same dimensions center to face and face to face as regular tees and elbows.

9. Bull head tees or tees increasing on outlet, will have same center-to-face and face-to-face demensions as straight fitting of the size of the outlet.

10. Tees, crosses and laterals 16 in. and smaller, reducing on the outlet, use the same dimensions as straight size of the larger port. Sizes 18 in. and larger, reducing on the outlet, are made in two lengths, depending on the size of the outlet as given in the table of dimensions.

11. For fittings reducing on the run only a long body pattern will be used. Y's are special and made to suit connections. Double branch elbows are not made reducing on the run.

12. Steel flanges, fittings and valves are recommended for superheated steam.

72. Fittings and Valves.—All flanged fittings and valves are made for three weights, standard for 125 lb. of steam, medium for 150 to 175 lb. of steam, and extra heavy cast iron for 250 lb. steam. They are also made in steel for superheated steam. There are also light fittings and valves in large sizes over 12 in. made especially for exhaust piping and condenser work. High pressure valves are generally outside screw and yoke, with bronze or steel stem and fittings.

Screwed fittings are made standard and extra heavy, and also of steel for superheated steam. Brass fittings are made in two patterns—one cast iron and one malleable iron—the latter being much lighter. The heavy-cast-iron pattern will stand any pressure liable to occur in any power plant practice. All valves are made of brass for sizes 2 in. and under and are all made in three weights—all over 2 in. have cast-iron bodies screwed or flanged. Flanged valves are generally called for on all sizes 4 in. and over, and sometimes as low as 3-in. As a rule, only steel can be used for superheated steam.

Couplings are just as good as flange unions in long lines of pipe and eliminate gasket joints although sufficient number should be provided to make disconnecting easy. The use of flange joints is considerably overdone in all classes of work. The size of pipe should have little to do with the use of flanges. The details should be made such that assembling and disconnecting can be accomplished with the minimum of labor. A good screw joint is better than a flanged joint where a gasket is in addition.

In all heating work, standard screwed fittings and flanged fittings may be used throughout. In water heating systems water fittings should be used. It is good policy to use short turn fittings on branches to radiators, due to cost and space. Therefore, they should be fairly large. Gate valves are always preferable to globe valves especially on water, due to friction. In cases where it is necessary for throttling, high pressure steam globe valves with nickel removable seats should be used.

73. Blow Off and Feed Pipes.—Blow off and feed piping for power plants should be extra heavy, not from the point of view of strength but from the fact that they are subject to corrosion more than any other portion of the system. In past years, brass was used, but the cost is excessive, and extra heavy pipe is a better paying investment even when the pipe has to be ultimately replaced. Cast-iron fittings and brass pipe make a good combination and this construction will resist corrosion permanently.

74. Pipe Covering.—All exposed surfaces of mains and heating pipes should be covered with insulating material to prevent loss of heat, especially if these pipes are located where the radiated heat will be of no service. The radiation from such surfaces is greater in proportion to the temperature difference than for cast-iron radiating surface. Cast-iron heating boilers

are generally covered with asbestos cement 1½ to 2 in. thick, wired on, and the whole given a coating of hard cement finish.

When hot water systems are used with a comparatively wide range in the temperature of the water, it is unnecessary to cover exposed riser pipes in the rooms as the water temperatures may be reduced if the pipes are left exposed. This means a saving of many thousands of dollars in large buildings of the commercial type where the covering amounts to nearly as much as the piping itself.

All coverings have for their insulating principle the cellular inclosure of air; the smaller the cells, the lighter the covering and the better the insulating qualities. Hair felt, magnesia carbonate, asbestos, diatomite, mineral wool, paper, and cork are some of the materials used for insulation. Enclosed stationary air is the very best insulator, therefore hair felt is one of the most efficient of the commercial coverings, but it deteriorates and chars under high temperatures.

Cork covering is also highly efficient and is extensively used on cold water and refrigerating pipe lines but is not favored for high temperatures. Mineral wool has been used extensively for underground mains. This is made from blast furnace slag blown into fine fibers. Due to the presence of sulphur, if any moisture gets near the covering and pipe, it eats the pipe surface very rapidly.

Asbestos and magnesia carbonate have come into almost universal use for pipe insulation due to their incombustility and excellent insulating qualities. Diatomite is a natural silicate composed of the minute shells of sea animals. It is also known as infusorial earth.

Where exceedingly high steam temperatures are used, magnesia or asbestos 2 and 3 in. thick should be used for covering because they are incombustible. Judgment should be used in selecting the material and thickness for pipe coverings, the temperature and permanency being the controlling factors. There is no advantage in using thick magnesia coverings on low temperature hot water mains. The heat loss with the pipe covered should be under 10 to 15%. Thickness and first cost should be considered in order to obtain this result.

Paper coverings built up with air cells are very economical for low pressure work, the paper being in the form of asbestos mill board. Wool felt is also economical.

Where long mains are run underground and the heat is entirely lost, the insulation of the pipe becomes very important and the most efficient is none too good. Underground drainage is also very important in this class of work.

Ordinarily, covering 1 in. thick is sufficiently heavy for use in buildings. For use in tunnels and trenches and for high pressure steam, at least 2 in. thick should be used. All pipe covering comes in molded sections about 3 ft. long made for the different commercial pipe sizes. The fittings are covered with a cement, finished smooth, and the whole canvas jacketed and painted with oil or water paint. Table 39 by J.R.Allen, gives the relative insulating qualities of different materials. Table 40 gives the losses for magnesia in B.t.u. for different sizes of mains with the last column of Table 39 (relative insulating value) the loss for any size pipe and covering may be readily determined in B.t.u.

TABLE 39.—RELATIVE CONDUCTIVITIES OF VARIOUS COMMERCIAL COVERINGS

(J. R. Allen)

Material of covering	Pounds of steam per hour per sq. ft. (covered pipe)	Ratio condensation of covered pipe to bare pipe	Thickness of covering (in.)	B.t.u. lost per sq. ft. per hr.	Relative insulating value compared with 1 in. hair felt and canvas
Moulded					
Asbestos	0.145	0.319	1.23	136	0.803
Magnesia	0.119	0.224	0.94	166	0.915
Magnesia and asbestos	0.125	0.300	1.12	118	0.879
Asbestos and wool felt	0.190	0.228	1.12	102	0.910
Wool felt	0.117	0.234	1.16	110	0.904
Wool felt and iron	0.134	0.269	....	125	0.828
Sectional coverings					
Mineral wool	0.097	0.193	0.94	91	0.952
Asbestos sponge	0.105	0.220	1.12	102	0.920
Asbestos felt	0.100	0.217	1.35	94	0.923
Hair felt	0.080	0.186	1.45	75	0.960
Non-sectional coverings					
2 layers asbestos paper	0.388	0.777	....	364	0.263
1 in. hair felt and canvas	0.070	0.150	....	68	1.000

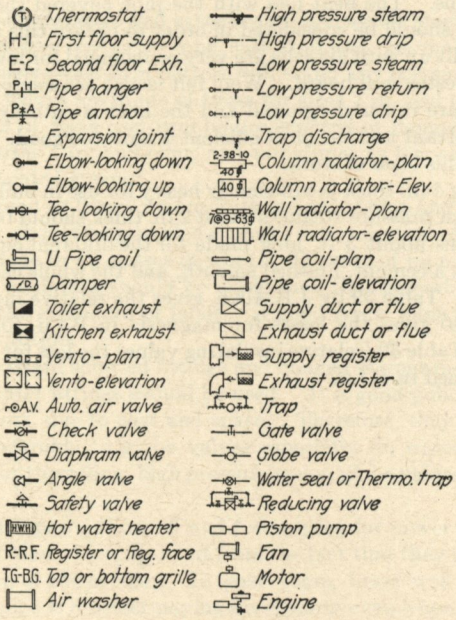


FIG. 33.—System of characters for use in drawing plans for power heating and ventilation.

TABLE 40.—HEAT LOSSES FROM MAGNESIA CANVAS COVERED AND UNCOVERED PIPE

(For 160-lb. pressure and 60-deg. air temperature. For any other pressure, use Unit "C." Other coverings can be compared by efficiency Table 39.)

(Babcock and Wilcox)

Size of pipe (in.)	Unit of loss	Thickness of covering in inches					
		Bare	½	¾	1	1¼	1½
2	A	597	149	118	99	86	79
	B	959	240	190	161	138	127
	C	3.189	0.770	0.613	0.519	0.445	0.410
3	A	876	206	172	137	117	106
	B	955	225	187	149	128	115
	C	3.08	0.723	0.602	0.479	0.413	0.372
4	A	1085	247	216	160	139	123
	B	921	210	164	136	118	104
	C	2.97	0.677	0.592	0.439	0.381	0.335
5	A	1326	301	247	193	166	146
	B	908	206	169	132	114	100
	C	2.93	0.666	0.546	0.425	0.368	0.323
6	A	1555	352	269	221	190	167
	B	897	203	155	127	110	96
	C	2.89	0.655	0.500	0.410	0.355	0.310
7	A	1780	400	304	250	212	188
	B	890	200	152	125	106	94
	C	2.87	0.643	0.490	0.402	0.345	0.303
8	A	1994	443	337	276	235	207
	B	883	196	149	122	104	92
	C	2.85	0.632	0.481	0.394	0.335	0.297
10	A	2468	549	416	337	287	250
	B	877	195	148	120	102	89
	C	2.83	0.629	0.477	0.387	0.329	0.287
12	A	2900	647	490	393	337	280
	B	871	194	147	118	101	84
	C	2.81	0.626	0.473	0.380	0.323	0.269

Unit "A" = B.t.u. per lin. ft. per hr.
Unit "B" = B.t.u. per sq. ft. per hr.
Unit "C" = B.t.u. per sq. ft. per deg. Diff. per hr.

SECTION 2

WATER SUPPLY DATA AND EQUIPMENT

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SOURCES OF WATER SUPPLY

1. Water in General.—Water is the most universal solvent known and for that reason is never found pure in nature. Falling in the form of rain, it absorbs dust and gases from the atmosphere; flowing over and through the earth, it absorbs organic and mineral matters. Pure water, as distilled in the laboratory, is composed of two elements, hydrogen and oxygen, in the proportion of two volumes of hydrogen to one of oxygen, and by weight, one of hydrogen to eight of oxygen. The term pure water, as loosely used in a commercial or domestic sense, usually means that it is wholesome and potable.

Surface waters usually contain organic matter as well as mineral matter, but ground waters, especially those of deep-seated origin, contain little or no organic matter, but always some mineral matter. The most common mineral matters found in well waters are the salts of calcium, magnesium, sodium, iron, silica, potassium, and aluminum, in the order named. When water contains much lime and magnesium salts, it is called hard. These matters in solution do not appreciably increase its weight until it becomes saturated like sea water, when it is about 2% heavier than distilled water.

Water occurs in three physical states—solid, liquid, and gaseous—and under proper changes in temperature and pressure can be readily transformed from one to the other. The mineral and organic content of water has very little effect upon the flow of water except as it roughens surfaces with which it comes in contact by forming incrustations, and thus decreases the velocity or, as in some extreme cases, decreases the diameter of the pipe.

Water is practically an incompressible liquid of constant volume except as it changes during the process of freezing or vaporizing. At 62 deg. F. it weighs 62.355 lb. per cu. ft., or 8.33 lb. per gal. (U. S.).

2. Rainfall.—Rainwater, if obtained before reaching the surface of the earth, is the purest form of natural water, as is also snow. However, as soon as it has come in contact with the soil, it becomes contaminated owing to its solvent action. Ice is also a very pure form of natural water, as most of the substances in solution are forced out into the surrounding water during the process of freezing. Water that is contaminated bacteriologically, is purified to a

Table 1.—Seasonal Rainfall
(Inches per season)

Locality	Spring			Summer			Autumn			Winter			Monthly, (in. per mo.)	
	Av.	Min.	Max.	Av.	Min.	Max.	Av.	Min.	Max.	Av.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
New England and Central States	11.17	9.2	13.5	12.5	10.5	13.3	10.86	9.0	12.3	10.99	9.3	14.5	3	10
Southern and Gulf States	12.66	9.8	14.9	15.14	12.5	21.4	10.9	9.5	14.2	12.3	9.1	15.4	2	9
Upper Mississippi and Lake Region	8.9	6.5	11.0	11.4	9.7	12.4	8.41	5.8	9.7	6.44	3.1	10.3	1	5
Plain and Rocky Mountain Region	5.74	4.6	8.1	6.65	2.1	10.9	3.75	2.2	7.6	3.2	1.6	6.0	¼	6½
Western Plateau	2.1	1.3	3.4	3.1	0.8	5.8	2.3	1.3	3.5	2.95	2.0	3.5	¼	5¼
Pacific Coast States	8.2	6.2	9.8	2.3	0.3	6.9	8.16	3.5	10.5	16.6	11.9	21.0	½	12

great extent by the process of freezing, and ice that has been frozen for a few months is considered perfectly safe to use by some authorities even though its source had been polluted.

The amount of rainfall per minute, hour, day, month, season, or year varies greatly in all parts of the globe. Only a general notion can be given here of the amounts and variations in the United States. A knowledge of the rainfall in connection with buildings is useful where the supply is taken from a small stream or river; where rainwater is collected from roofs and stored in cisterns for domestic or industrial uses; and where the roof areas are so large as to materially effect the size of rain leaders (down spouts).

The annual rainfall east of the Appalachian Range is 40 to 50 in., well distributed throughout the year. West of this range and east of the Mississippi River it amounts to about 30 in., on the great plains 15 to 30 in., between the Rockies and Sierras, 10 to 20 in., and on the Pacific slope, 20 to 100 in. The higher limits are usually along the coast lines and about the Great Lakes.

The data given in Table 1 should be used only as a general guide. For more detailed information, see United States Weather Bureau reports and works on Hydrology.

3. Ground Water.—Ground water is a term applied to waters whose source is from the ground, whether from springs, seeps, or deep or shallow wells. Ground waters are always colder in summer and warmer in winter than surface waters, except those very deep-seated waters, such as boiling springs and geysers. The temperature of ground water below a depth of 50 ft. is the same as the mean annual temperature for the locality and does not vary from season to season. The temperature below this depth increases 1 deg. F. for each 60 ft. The outer crust of the earth to a depth of 50 ft. is influenced by the seasonal variations of temperature. From these facts it is possible to predict from what depth any water comes by comparing its temperature with the mean temperature for that locality. Ground waters are the most largely used sources of water for domestic purposes. A good potable water is one which is free from pollution and contains some mineral matter which makes it pleasing to the taste. Distilled water is very flat and insipid.

3*a*. Drilled Wells.—Drilled wells derive their water from rock or consolidated formations, such as sandstones, conglomerates, limestones, and trap rocks. The soft, caving formations above the rock are cased off with standard wrought-iron pipe or well casing, which should be driven firmly into the rock formation. Where possible it is preferable to extend the casing through any soft rock formation, such as shales lying above the water-bearing rock. In some cases wells are "grouted" from the surface of the water-bearing formation to the surface of the ground. In the case where the grouting is to be done on a new well, that portion of the well that must be grouted is drilled to a large diameter, say 12 to 20 in., and to a depth sufficient to prevent leakage, seepage, etc. The depth to be grouted is usually predetermined by a knowledge of the strata and should preferably extend to or near the top of the water-bearing formation from which it is desired to obtain the water. An outside casing must be used where the formations above the rock cannot be kept from caving long enough to permit of the completion of the work.

The hole at the bottom of the grout should be made smaller, of a size just large enough to receive the "liner" which should be seated firmly in the rock to a depth of at least 2 ft. The liner can be made of any grade of metal sufficiently strong to withstand handling and prevent collapse. The tops of both the outside and inside casings should reach the surface of the ground, or to the point where the water is to be taken off. In the case of flowing wells, the liner may be used as the discharge or suction pipe if pumping is done, and would be directly connected to the pump or horizontal pipe. The space between the two casings should be at least 2 in., but more is desirable. The space between the inner casing (liner) and the drill hole is filled with neat cement grout which is forced into the space by a hand pump.

The following apparatus is necessary: a line of 1¼-in. pipe, sufficient to reach within 10 ft. of the bottom of the space to be grouted, a hand or tank pump, and a half barrel or water-tight box of about the same size, in which the grout is placed. The 1¼-in. pipe is hung between the liner and the outside of the well and is so connected that it can be readily raised as the filling progresses. The grout is made of cement of such a consistency that it will pour readily and no sand is added to the grout while the pump is in use.

The yield of a well depends upon its diameter, the water-bearing strata intersected, the depth of the well (as effecting friction), and the ability of the pump to lower the water.

Where the water-bearing strata is of a uniform nature or texture, such as sandstone, the yield varies with the physical structure of the strata and directly with its thickness. When the water-bearing strata is not uniform, such as limestone and granite, the yield depends upon the number and width of the fissures.

The theoretical relationship of these quantities is difficult of expression and interpretation, but for rough estimates the empirical formula

$$Q = \frac{TL}{C}$$

holds approximately true for sandstone formations where the lowering of the water by pumping is not over 20 ft. and the diameter of the well is 6 to 10 in. In this formula

Q = yield in gallons per minute.
T = thickness of water-bearing formation in feet.
L = lowering of the water in feet.
C = a factor dependent upon the character of the formation.

For potsdam sandstone, 20 is about right for a value of C. Where L is more than 20

$$C = \frac{L^2}{380} + 19$$

The amount of water that can be taken from a well per unit of time depends very largely, in the case of small wells, upon the character of the pumping machinery. For example, a 6-in. well may have a large capacity due to a great depth of water-bearing rock pierced by the drill, yet with a single acting deep-well pump, it is difficult to secure much over 100 gal. per min. The size of a well should therefore be made amply large if drilled before the quantity of water required, the method of pumping, and the depth and character of the water-bearing rock are known or closely approximated.

The capacity of wells in limestone or traprock formations is difficult to predetermine owing to the fact that the extent and number of fissures to be encountered are unknown. The quantity of water will usually vary approximately with the thickness of the formation pierced and with the square root of the lowering. A good procedure is to test the well by pumping before its completion, and noting (1) discharge of test pump in gallons per minute, (2) the lowering of the water in feet, and (3) the thickness of the water-bearing strata encountered. Then from this data, predict the conditions which would take place if the desired quantity were obtained.

The capacity of a well does not vary greatly with the diameter so far as the ground resistance to flow is concerned. A large diameter is of advantage chiefly in reducing the velocity of flow within the well, thus reducing the friction and the advantage of placing a large pump. These wells may be classed as either deep (non-flowing) wells, or artesian (flowing) wells, depending upon whether the water in the water-bearing formation is under enough pressure to bring the water to the surface.

In cases where the proposed well is within or near a well established (developed) community, a careful study of the local conditions as to existing wells, will aid greatly in arriving at the proper diameter and probable depth. Quicksand, clays, shales, slates, and close-textured granites, should not be depended upon as sources of water for any purpose, not even a country residence. The total yield of ground water that may be collected varies from 0.1 to 0.5 million gal. per day per square mile, and at one locality, from 1 to 3 million gal. per day.

3b. Driven and Tubular Wells.—Driven and tubular wells secure their water from the loose formations above the solid rock, such as sand, gravel, or a mixture of these. Driven wells consist of a "point" attached to a screen, often called a "well point" or "well screen," which in turn is attached to several feet (as may be needed) of wrought-iron or steel pipe having a diameter to suit the "well point." These wells are seldom less than 1¼ or more than 4 in. in diameter. The points have openings 40, 60, or 80 meshes to the inch; the small sizes are usually 3 to 5 ft. long, and the larger sizes 8 to 10 ft. long.

Driven wells are usually relatively shallow, but in some cases have been driven to depths of from 400 to 500 ft. Driving to such depths is very liable to damage the screen. The amount of water to be obtained from such wells is very difficult to estimate for the principal reason that little or nothing is known about the character of the water-bearing material that is to be encountered. Even if the water-bearing strata is present, the possibility of getting the point entirely within it is quite an uncertainty. Where possible, it is a much better plan to use a tubular well. This is put down in much the same way as the casing of a drilled well with the exception that a specially-designed shoe with a flange is used When the water-bearing sand or gravel is reached, the point is dropped into the casing and is either driven below the end of the casing or the casing is pulled back to the top of the screen, or both processes of exposing the screen may be used. By this method much deeper and larger wells may be used, the point may be pulled up and examined, and a very definite knowledge of the water-bearing formation may be had by noting the character of the drillings and the behavior of the water levels when bucketing.

The amount of water to be obtained from wells of this kind varies greatly according to the porosity and coarseness of the sand or gravel. From tests of a large number of wells of this class it was found that with 60-mesh screens it was possible to secure ¼ gal. per min. per sq. ft. of screen surface per foot of lowering of the water in the well; that is to say, a well point having 5 sq. ft. of screen and a lowering of the water of 10 ft. would supply approxi-

mately 12½ gal. per min. Wells in coarse gravel will often supply very much more than this amount. Forty wells located in coarse sand and gravel, yielded under test an average of 0.684 gal. per min. per sq. ft. of screen surface per foot of lowering, with a minimum of 0.45 gal. and maximum of 1.152 gal. per min.

Where the size of the sand grains is small or the porosity low, the capacity of this type of well can be greatly increased by packing the well screen in selected gravel. This can be successfully done by using a well casing 6 in. or more larger in diameter than the outside of the screen, and when the proper depth is reached, the well screen attached to pipe of slightly smaller diameter, is put in place. Then selected gravel ⅛ to ⅜ in. in size is placed about and for some distance above the screen. The large casing is then drawn by jacks and the well is complete.

In the same formation and in identically the same place, wells of this kind have been known to give 6 times as much water as wells having a 60-mesh well screen but without gravel. The screens used with the gravel-packed wells are usually coarser than 40 meshes per inch. Besides the common gauze mesh screens, there are a number of patented screens such as the "Cook," "Johnson," and "Bowler."

3c. Dug or Open Wells.—Dug or open wells are usually relatively large in diameter, and shallow. The supply of water comes from the bottom and little or none from the sides unless it is excavated in rock formations. Wells of this kind are usually "curbed" with wood, brick, masonry, or concrete. The most successful manner of construction is to make a ring of concrete of the desired size, and after it has set sufficiently (3 to 4 days), lower it to the desired depth by excavating in the center. Such wells have been constructed 18 ft. in diameter by 60 ft. deep. Dug or open wells have the advantage of providing some storage of water, as well as a supply. Their capacity depends upon the physical characteristics and thickness of the water-bearing material, upon the lowering of the water, and upon the means provided for its entrance into the well. Metal screens may be placed in the walls near the bottom and the area of the water-bearing material, if of sand or gravel, may be covered with crushed rock or gravel to keep the fine sand from flowing in. The well should be properly covered to protect it from contamination.

The relative capacity of a well in the same formation, and with the same depth and extent of lowering, varies so far as ground friction is concerned, about as shown in the accompanying table, assuming that the water comes in through the sides and bottom of the well and that the yield of a well 1 ft. in diameter is unity.

Well	Units of capacity
2-ft. diameter	2.101
3-ft. diameter	3.173
4-ft. diameter	4.214
8-ft. diameter	8.378
20-ft. diameter	20.660
40-ft. diameter	40.980

From this table it is seen that the possible yield of a well of this type increases about as the diameter, but very much slower than the surface of water-bearing material encountered by the walls of the well. The yield of a well is often determined, not by the above consideration, but by the velocity of water at which fine sand may be carried into the well. This condition should be guarded against by properly-designed screens in the walls of the well and by assorted layers of gravel placed over the bottom of the well wherever the water-bearing material is fine sand.

4. Springs.—Springs may be divided from an hydraulic standpoint into gravity and artesian (pressure) springs; and from a physical sense, into seepage, tubular, and fissure springs. Gravity springs are not confined between impervious beds, but flow because the ground-water surface is intersected by the surface of ground, as at the base of a hill or along a bank of a stream. Artesian (pressure) springs are confined between impervious beds, are relatively deep seated, and partake more or less of the characteristics of artesian wells. Such springs, if confined in a pipe or concrete basin, may be forced to rise several feet above the surface of the ground.

Seepage springs may be either gravity or artesian, but usually are of the gravity type and spread out over considerable area, as on a bench at the foot of a bluff along a river bank. This condition is usually accompanied by a soft spongy ground, abundant vegetation, and an oily scum due to decomposition of vegetable matter with the presence of iron or manganese. Many seepage springs are very deceiving as to the actual quantity of water flowing, owing to the relatively large area covered and apparent large quantity of water. Tubular springs are formed due to the solubility of some part of a rock formation or by the opening left by a decayed root. In limestone, the passages may extend for miles. These springs are often periodical—that is, fluctuating with the rainfall.

Fissure springs are always in rock formation and are usually artesian. They escape along bedding planes, joints, and cleavages in the rock formation and the waters are usually free from organic contamination, but are often highly mineralized. The requisite and qualifying conditions for the formation of springs are essentially the same as

those for an artesian well; viz., a sufficient rainfall, a collecting area, a porous inclined bed of sand or rock with an opening for escape of the water at the lower edge, or in case of an overlying impervious stratum, an upward passage for the water.

Springs may be contaminated principally in two ways: (1) by direct wash of pollution into the water as it merges from the ground, and (2) by infiltration of polluted water on the catchment area. The first may be prevented by protecting the spring, and the second may be remedied if the exact location of the collecting area is known and the source of pollution removed.

5. Infiltration Galleries.—Infiltration galleries are really horizontal wells excavated below the level of the ground water. They are constructed so as to leave an open space within the ground water horizon into which the water can percolate through the porous sides or openings left for that purpose. They are often made of brick, stone masonry, or some kind of pipe, such as vitrified clay pipe. The supply that can be obtained from a gallery of this kind depends upon its length, depth below the natural water level, and upon the characterstics of the water-bearing material. This may vary from a fraction of a gallon to several gallons per foot of gallery. (A 12-in. vitrified pipe 300 ft. long laid in a medium sized sand, supplied $\frac{2}{3}$ gal. per ft. when the water level was lowered 6 ft.)

The Los Angeles Water Company has a vitrified pipe infiltration gallery 4500 ft. long which is reported to yield an average of 0.75 gal. per min. per ft. of gallery. The Crystall Springs Water Company, at about the same location, has 5368 ft. of similar gallery of vitrified pipe 15 to 24 in. in diameter, yielding 0.755 gal. per min. per ft. of gallery. At Grand Rapids, Wis., a 12-in. vitrified pipe gallery 960 ft. long, laid in extremely fine sand of uniform size, yielded only $\frac{1}{20}$ of a gallon per min. per ft. of gallery.

6. Surface Waters.—The waters of lakes, ponds, rivers, and streams are very liable to be polluted and unfit for domestic use. Waters of this character, however, can often be used for commercial and industrial purposes without treatment, or at the most, by filtration through pressure filters at rapid rates. In rare instances, waters from an extremely large lake or from a river flowing from an unpopulated territory, are safe without purification. Where a safe water supply is insufficient in amount for all purposes for a building, water for flushing of toilets, scrubbing, etc., can be taken from a surface water supply and the bubblers supplied from another source or a part of the surface water supply treated for this purpose. Before such a source of supply is chosen, or better still, before the site of the proposed industry or institution is chosen, the quantity and permanency of the supply should be investigated.

The factors affecting the flow of a stream are: drainage area, slope of surface, character of subsoil, temperature (evaporation), and rainfall. Where the stream is large as compared to the demands of the industry, no detailed investigation might be necessary, but where the stream is small and varies in discharge with the seasons, a careful investigation should be made; also the character of the water, such as turbidity, color, and mineral and organic matter content, should be determined and compared with the needs of the industry.

Surface waters as a rule contain very much more organic matter and very much less mineral matter than do ground waters. These organic matters are largely of a nitrogenous nature and are difficult to remove when once passed into the nitrate form.

A conservative estimate of the quantity of water available from any stream would be 10 to 50% of the precipitation, depending upon the locality and nature of the stream. The rainfall should be taken for the average driest years. On streams where the minimum flow is likely to be less or just equal to the demand, a small dam should be constructed across the stream to impound water to tide over the driest spells.

PURIFICATION OF WATER

7. Impurities of Water.—Water may be considered to be impure from either a chemical or a sanitary standpoint. Mineral matters contained in waters, if in sufficient quantities, may interfere with steam making and industrial uses, and if it contains large quantities of alkalies, it will even be unfit for domestic use. The impurities which we are more concerned about are those of a sanitary nature and are of organic origin. A water may be ever so clear and of excellent taste and yet contain thousands of disease-producing germs.

8. Sources of Pollution.—A polluted water is one which contains the wastes from human habitation. It may not necessarily contain disease-producing germs or matters in which they are usually found, but may contain such other wastes as to make the water unwholesome. "Contaminated" is sometimes used synonymously for the word "polluted," but it is stronger

and means that the water has and does contain wastes which might cause disease or disorders. Besides the sewage carried away from buildings by sewerage systems, there are other sources of pollution, such as outhouses, slop drains (from kitchens), industrial wastes, decaying animal matter, and drainage from farm buildings and yards. The discharge from sewerage systems usually pollutes only surface waters, whereas the other sources pollute ground waters as well.

If a water supply must be taken from a surface water, it should be taken, in case of a stream, far enough above the outlet of the sewer to be sure that none of the sewage will be drawn into the intake, and in case of a lake or other body of water, the intake should be in deep water and removed as far as practicable from the sewer outlet, even though the sewage be treated or purified.

In the case of ground waters, it is more difficult to trace sources of pollution to a water supply. In general, ground waters flow in the direction of the slope of the ground, *i.e.*, into ravines, dry runs, and valleys. In all cases the source of water supply should be located so that the surface drainage will be away from, rather than towards the well, spring, or point on stream where the supply is taken.

9. Aeration.—The usual process of purifying water by aeration is to discharge it into the air so as to break it up into a fine spray or a thin film. The process is used to oxidize organic matter, remove gases, such as hydrogen sulphide, and carbonic acid gas, and odors produced by aquatic vegetation. It is also used in some cases as a part of the process of removing iron and manganese.

10. Sedimentation.—Many surface waters, owing to the nature of the ground over which they flow, contain large quantities of suspended matter which may or may not be of a polluting nature. Many rivers flowing through a country where the surface material is largely clay, contain large quantities of finely divided clay in suspension. The process of sedimentation either natural or artificial, is used to remove as much of this material as possible. In some cases for industrial use, it is the only process needed, while in other cases it is a preliminary process to filtration, coagulation, or both.

Sedimentation is divided into two types, intermittent and continuous. The first gives no better results than the second, but in some cases for industrial use, it is more convenient where the use is intermittent, to fill a tank or basin, let it stand from 12 to 24 hr., and then draw off the clarified water. Continuous sedimentation is the most satisfactory process where large quantities are needed continuously. As a preliminary process to coagulation or filtration, the period should be from 6 to 24 hr., depending upon the fineness of the sediment and upon the relative cost of sedimentation basin and subsequent process. Fuller says that the economical limit of plain sedimentation is 24 hr., during which time 75% of the suspended matter is removed.

For large impounding reservoirs where the water is to be used for a domestic supply without further treatment, the period of sedimentation should be three or more days, depending upon the fineness of the sediment. The percentage of removal is greatest when the amount of suspended matter is greatest. Twelve hours subsidence removes about 33%, and 24 hr. removes from 59 to 83%. The process should take place in a basin or tank of proper size for quantity to be treated. The inlet and outlet should be made so that the velocity will be a minimum; baffles should be used to prevent currents from forming; and screens should be provided to keep out leaves and floating matter from entering the outlet.

11. Chemical Treatment.—Chemical treatment may be used for the following purposes: (1) removal of bacteria and polluting organic matter; (2) removal of suspended matter—clay, etc. (producing turbidity), and vegetable compounds (producing color); and (3) removal of iron, manganese, and the salts producing hardness.

This treatment may be used with or without sedimentation depending upon the nature of the case. For (2) it is necessary in all cases to provide some sedimentation for effective work. The coagulants used for purposes (1) and (2) are sulphate of alumina, sulphates of iron, calcium carbonate, and sodium carbonate. Sulphate of alumina is most commonly used alone where the alkalinity is high enough to produce the necessary floc or precipitate. The amount of the chemicals used varies from a fraction of a grain to 6 or 8 grains per gal. depending upon the character of the water. Little work along these lines should be attempted by the architect or engineer without the aid of a chemist.

12. Filtration—*Action and Function.*—Sand and gravel have been found to be the most satisfactory materials to use in the process of filtration. When water is passed through a layer of these materials, a large portion of the suspended matter, bacteria, and color are removed. Even colorless organic matter in the colloidal form is partially removed. The function of the filter is to strain out the bacteria and suspended particles and this function is performed not only by the sand, but by the very organic matter which it is sought to remove, the organic matter forming a sort of gelatinous substance around the sand grains. That organic matter does

act in this manner is shown by the fact that a filter is more effective after it has been in operation for some time.

There are two methods of filtration in common use: (1) the slow sand process, and (2) the mechanical or rapid sand process. In (1), the water is passed through a bed of sand and gravel 3 to 5 ft. thick to a system of underdrains at an average rate of 1.6 million gal. per acre per day. This process is seldom used for small installations such as would be used in connection with a building. In (2), mechanical filters operate at much higher rates, 100 to 200 million gal. per acre per day. The rapid filtration of water is distinguished from slow filtration, not alone by the difference in the rates of flow, but by several other features, such as the formation of the colloidal coating, which naturally differentiates the two general methods of purification.

Mechanical filters may be divided into gravity filters and pressure filters. Gravity filters as the name implies, signifies that the water flows through the filter by gravity.

Gravity filters are usually arranged in two rows, with a common water supply pipe, valves, wash-water pipes, rate of flow-controlling apparatus, gages, etc., in a pipe gallery between the rows. These filters are in round wooden or steel tanks (old type) or in square concrete basins (new type). The clear water basin is usually placed beneath the filters. The wash water required for mechanical filters is 5 to 7 gal. per min. per sq. ft. of filter area. The head required for washing is 30 ft. or more depending on the type of strainer used at base of filter. The amount of water used for washing per day is equal to a column of water 5 or 6 ft. high over the entire area of the filter. A gravity filter has an advantage over a pressure filter in that it is easier to observe every step in the filtering operation, and it is possible to examine the condition of the sand at any time without shutting down the filter.

Pressure filters are closed cylinders or tanks of steel in which is placed a bed of sand or crushed quartz and through which the water is forced under pressure (see Fig. 1). Other filtering materials for special purposes, such as charcoal, coke, or zeolite are sometimes used. The strainer system also acts as a distributor for the wash water during the cleaning of the sand bed. During the washing process compressed air is often used.

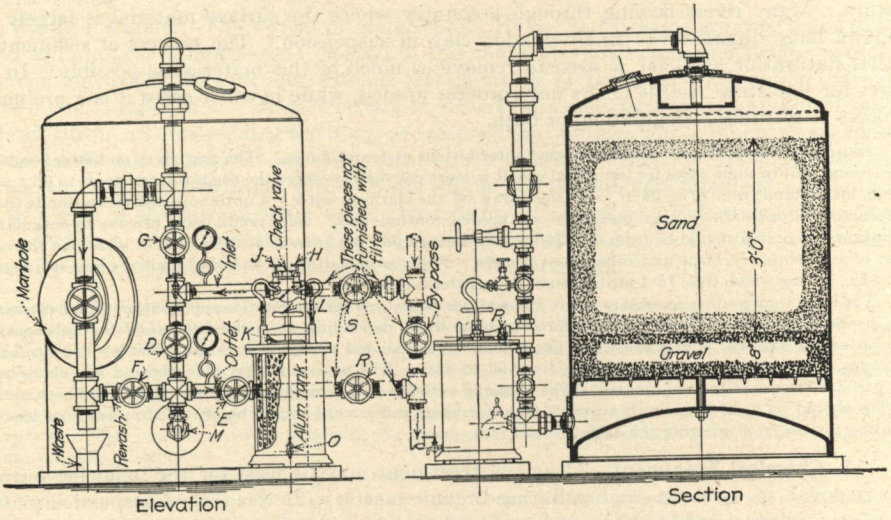


FIG. 1.

TABLE 2.—TRADE DATA ON AMERICAN WATER SOFTENER CO.'S WOOD TANK GRAVITY FILTERS

Diameter (feet)	Area (sq. ft.)	Capacity (gal. per min.)	Size inlet (inches)	Weight* (pounds)	Appox. cost per 100 gal. per min. capacity
6	28.27	56	3	12,500	$1400.00
8	50.26	100	4	22,250	1150.00
10	78.54	157	4	34,500	975.00
1	113.10	226	5	50,700	840.00
14	153.94	307	6	67,700	760.00
15	176.71	353	6	78,700	725.00
17	226.98	453	8	101,400	700.00

* Total weight includes sand and gravel.

TABLE 3.—DATA ON AMERICAN WATER SOFTENER CO.'S PRESSURE FILTERS

Diameter (inches)	Area (sq. ft.)	Inlet and outlet pipes (inches)	Capacity (gal. per min.)	Approximate shipping weight (pounds)
24	3.1416	1½	6–9	1,150
30	4.9087	1½	10–15	1,800
36	7.0686	1½	14–21	2,000
40	8.72	2	17–26	2,275
42	9.6211	2	19–29	2,400
48	12.5666	2½	25–37	2,875
50	13.64	2½	27–41	3,225
60	19.635	2½	39–59	4,250
72	28.27	3	56–84	5,300
78	33.183	3	66–99	6,300
84	38.485	4	78–115	7,700
96	50.26	4	100–150	11,350

The above capacties are conservative. Use minimumcapacities for muddy waters. Where maximum capacities are exceeded, resistance will increase, the filter will require washing more frequently, and the filtered water will not be of as good quality.

TABLE 4.—DATA ON INTERNATIONAL FILTER CO.'S PRESSURE FILTERS

Diameter (inches)	Height (inches)	Floor space (in. × in.)	Capacity (gal. per min.)	Size inlet (inches)	Total weight (pounds)	Retail price
12	50	24 × 24	2.33	1	500	$130.00
16	52	28 × 30	4.17	1¼	850	165.00
20	52	32 × 36	6.50	1¼	1200	220.00
24	53	36 × 42	10.00	1½	1650	275.00
30	61	42 × 42	15.00	2	2850	350.00
36	62	48 × 48	21.00	2	4000	400.00
42	63	54 × 54	29.00	2½	5200	500.00
48	64	60 × 60	38.00	2½	5900	575.00

Pressure filters, where no preliminary treatment is required, are used extensively for the reason that they are simpler and cheaper than gravity filters. Filters treating water for industrial purposes should always be provided with a by-pass so water can be supplied direct in case filter is cut out for repairs. The bacteria removing efficiency of mechanical filters is approximately 95%.

13. Rain Water Filters.—Besides its use in the laundry where it is desired on account of its softness, rain water, when properly aerated and filtered, makes a wholesome beverage. It should, however, be caught and stored so as to preserve its original purity. The present methods of collection and storage in most cases are bad. Every roof is foul with excrements of birds, dead insects, leaves, dust, etc., all of which are washed into the cistern. The first part of every rain should be turned off until the roof is washed clean. There are several automatic devices for this, but few are used. It will not in most cases be economical to attempt to filter the water as fast as it may come from a roof. It will be preferable and cheaper to first store the water in a tank or reservoir of wood, masonry, or slate, which should be located above the ground if possible. From such a reservoir the water should be led to the filter which should consist of sand and gravel, similar to the above described gravity filters.

The filter should be large enough to care for the average daily consumption, or at least large enough to filter the contents of the storage tank before another rain fills it. The rate of filtration should be between 50 and 150 gal. per sq. ft. per day; a layer of sand 2 ft. deep is sufficient. If desired, charcoal can be added to free the water of undesirable taste and smell. When the filter becomes clogged, it should be scraped to remove the sediment, but the sand and gravel below should not be disturbed except at long intervals, or when the filter ceases to work due to severe clogging.

The filtered water should be stored in a clean, tight, and well protected cistern or underground reservoir, from which the supply for domestic use is taken. Where the use of water may be largely for mechanical or industrial purposes, there could be two cisterns, one for filtered and one for unfiltered water. In this way the storage tank

and filter could be made smaller. Upward flow filters built in a part of a cistern are worse than sueless, as the pressure of the water will force a passage through in one or more spots and thus defeat the purpose of filtration. Also, galvanized-iron receptacles attached to down spouts and filled with charcoal, are only strainers and *do not* purify the water.

If the roof tributary to the filter plant has an area of 1000 sq. ft. and the ordinary maximum rainfall is 2 in. per storm, then the capacity of the storage tank should be 1250 gal. and the filtered-water cistern should have a capacity sufficient to tide over dry spells. A cistern of 10,000-gal. capacity (for dimensions see Table 40, page 1212) will supply 400 gal. per day for about one month.

14. Removal of Iron.—If iron occurs in water to the extent of 0.2 to 0.3 parts per million it will cause little or no annoyance. In some cases 0.5 parts per million have given no trouble. Where iron occurs in the ferrous condition as hydrate, bicarbonate, or sulphate, its removal is comparatively easy by aeration and filtration, but where it occurs as a chloride or nitrate or in the presence of manganese, organic matter, vegetable acids, or in a polluted water, its removal is difficult. Iron may be said to exist in waters of three classes: (1) Those which begin to precipitate on exposure to air, iron in hydrate form; (2) those which will hold iron in solution indefinitely even when aerated, iron usually combined with vegetable acid and appearing in a colloidal form; (3) waters which contain iron in both forms and therefore deposit a part, but not all, of the iron contents after aeration.

The principal methods of treatment for class (1) are: aeration, sedimentation, filtration, coke contact, sprinklers, and filtration through sand. For class (2): aeration, coke contact, sand filtration, chemical treatment, sedimentation, and filtration. For class (3): a hypochlorite with filtration through chemically treated sand beds, or filtration through aged beds of sand.

Iron-bearing waters are of the greatest annoyance in the laundry where they stain the clothes. Waters of the first class readily give up their iron when heated so that a simple pressure filter will remove the difficulty to a large extent if not overtaxed.

Iron also causes trouble by clogging mains and service pipes due to the presence of the iron organism, crenothrix, which has the ability of causing a deposit of iron to form on the inside of the pipes.

15. Removal of Manganese.—Waters containing manganese are more difficult to treat than those containing only iron. Where the same processes are effective, they react much more slowly. In a water containing both iron and manganese, the iron will be found deposited near the source while the manganese will be found on the outskirts of the system and in dead ends. Manganese is no doubt a much more troublesome element than is generally supposed. Manganese often gives to the water a milky appearance due to its colloidal form. When present with iron, organic matter, carbonic acid, and vegetable acids, it is a most difficult element to remove. Salts of sodium, especially a hypochlorite, seems to have the quickest and greatest effect on it when in this condition.

The higher oxides of manganese appear to have a very favorable effect on the removal of those of a lower order, so that if water containing manganese is applied to a filter in which higher oxides have been precipitated, a large percentage of the manganese in the water will be removed. Such a condition can be brought about by treating the filter with manganese sulphate, sodium hydroxide, and a hypochlorite, or by letting the filter become automatically coated as it will do in most cases if not disturbed. The rate of filtration for the removal of iron and manganese varies greatly with the character of the water, but would generally come between 1000 to 2000 gal. per sq. ft. of surface of filter per day.

16. Causes of Incrustation.—Incrustation of steam boilers, water heaters, furnaces, coils, etc., is caused by deposition of the following: suspended matter; deposed salts from concentration; carbonate of calcium and magnesium by boiling; sulphates and chlorides at temperature above 270 deg. F.; manganese at high temperature; and lime, iron soaps, etc., formed by saponification of grease.

17. Effects of Incrustation.—Incrustation reduces efficiency of steam boilers, water heaters, furnace coils, and siphon jet closets; causes boiler plates to become overheated and distorted, and in some cases, causes failures to occur. Hot-water heaters, especially of the coil type, and furnace "backs" or coils become so incrusted as to stop circulation. Hot water pipe systems become incrusted to such an extent as to greatly reduce their capacity, if not clog them entirely.

Means of preventing incrustations are: filtration; blowing off boiler; use of internal collecting apparatus, or devices for directing the circulation; heating feed water keeps scale caused by temporary hardness from entering

the boiler; use of boiler compounds; introduction of zinc into the boiler; water softening. Other remedies for these troubles will be found in Art. 19.

18. Hardness of Water.—Waters are said to be hard because of their action upon the skin of the body and because of their neutralizing effect on soap. Hardness is of two kinds: (1) that caused by the bicarbonates of calcium, magnesium, and iron, which is called temporary hardness and can largely be removed by boiling; and (2) that caused by the sulphates, chlorides, nitrates, and silicates of calcium and magnesium, which is called permanent hardness because boiling not only does not remove it, but, on the other hand, tends to increase it. The sulphates, chlorides, etc., form much harder scale than the bicarbonates. Hardness is measured by grains per gallons, parts per 100,000, and in parts per million in equivalent calcium carbonate.

Waters have been classified as follows in parts per million:

0–50	Very soft
50–100	Fairly soft
100–150	Medium
150–200	Moderately hard
200–300	Hard

A water containing 0 to 70 parts per million of equivalent calcium carbonate is considered a very good boiler water; 70 to 150, good; and 150 to 250, fair.

19. Water Softeners—*Gravity Type.*—Waters may be treated with chemicals for reduction of hardness, when either hot or cold. There are two types of softeners, gravity and pressure, similar to filtration plants. The pressure type can be used only to remove temporary hardness after the water is heated, and when used with cold water must be of the zeolite type in which no chemical is applied directly to the water. Temporary hardness may be removed by the application of lime alone, but when sulphates, chlorides, and nitrates are present, sodium carbonate, sodium hydrate, or barium carbonate must be used. The entire hardness of any water cannot be removed by any of these processes, but they reduce it to a point where it is not objectionable.

The Am. Ry. Engr's and M'n of Way Ass'n estimate the amount of chemicals required to remove 1 lb. of incrustating matter as follows:

Incrustating substance held in solution	Quantity of reagent (pure)
Calcium carbonate	0.56 lb. lime
Calcium sulphate	0.78 lb. soda ash
Calcium chloride	0.96 lb. soda ash
Calcium nitrate	0.65 lb. soda ash
Magnesium carbonate	1.33 lb. of lime
Magnesium sulphate	0.47 lb. lime plus 0.88 lb. soda ash
Magnesium chloride	0.59 lb. lime plus 1.11 lb. soda ash
Magnesium nitrate	0.38 lb. lime plus 0.72 lb. soda ash

The benefits derived from water softening lay chiefly in the reduction of the amount of soap required, and in the reduction or entire elimination of incrustations in boilers, heaters, and coils through which water passes to be used for bathing, laundry work, and culinary operations. Better products are made with soft water in such industries as paper making, tanning, dyeing, and bleaching.

Pressure Water Softeners—Zeolite Type.—Water which has been freed from suspended and organic matter, iron, and other interfering elements, or water which contains only small quantities of these elements, can be softened by passing it through a bed of natural or artificial zeolite 20 to 40 in. thick. The apparatus is similar to a pressure filter (see Fig. 1) When the softener has passed a stated quantity of water, depending on its hardness, it has to be shut down, drained out, and filled with a 10% brine solution. The period of contact is usually 12 to 16 hr., depending on local conditions. The amount of salt required to regenerate the zeolite, according to some authorities, is 3⅓ to 6 lb. per 1000 gal. of water for each 100 parts per million of equivalent calcium carbonate. This process is the only one known that reduces the hardness to zero when properly cared for. The method, however, is not suitable for boiler water, as it leaves the equivalent of sodium carbonate which will cause foaming.

Some of the advantages of the zeolite process are:

1. It is the only practical process by which water of a zero hardness can be produced on a large scale.
2. Only one chemical is needed (common salt).

3. Variations in the hardness of the raw water are automatically taken care of.
4. There is no sludge to be removed.

Disadvantages:

1. Cost of operation is higher than with lime and soda ash.
2. Water to be softened must be perfectly clear, for if it contains turbidity, the pores of the zeolite become clogged.
3. The zeolite softened water contains residual sodium bicarbonate and if used in boilers may cause trouble by foaming.

TABLE 5.—REFINITE CO.'S ZEOLITE WATER SOFTENERS—VERTICAL PRESSURE TYPES

Diameter (inches)	Height (inches)	Floor space (ft. × ft.)	Weight complete (pounds)	10-hr. capacity* based on water 10-gr. hardness (gallons)	Approximate cost installed per 100 gallons capacity
12	60	2×2	750	775	$56.00
24	65	3×3	2,500	3,560	26.00
36	75	3×5	3,800	8,000	18.00
48	80	4×7	9,000	14,000	14.00
60	82	5×7	15,000	23,000	10.00
72	86	6×9	20,000	32,000	9.50
84	90	7×10	26,500	43,750	9.00

TABLE 6.— REFINITE CO.'S ZEOLITE WATER SOFTENERS—HORIZONTAL PRESSURE TYPES

Diameter (inches)	Length (feet)	Floor space (ft. × ft.)	Weight complete (pounds)	10-hr. capacity* based on water 10-gr. hardness (gallons)	Approximate cost installed per 100-gallons capacity
96	12	8×17	60,000	108,000	$8.25
96	14	8×19	80,000	127,000	8.50
96	16	8×21	100,000	145,000	8.75

* On water of other hardness, capacity is inversely proportional to total hardness in grains per U. S. gal. The salt consumption is approximately ¾ lb. per 1000 gal. per grain hardness.

20. Interpretation of Bacterial Count.—The fact that a water may contain a large number of bacteria means little unless some knowledge is had of their kind and characteristics. There are numerous varieties of water forms which are perfectly harmless if taken into the system. On the other hand, a very small number of typical sewage bacteria found in a majority of samples, especially in 1-cubic centimeter samples, should be looked upon with suspicion. Colon bacillus appearing in a few samples of 10 c.c. with no other characteristics of pollution should not be taken as indicative of an unsafe water. Water that is grossly polluted will usually show large numbers of bacteria growing on both gelatine and agar together with liquifiers, gas producers, and the presence of colon bacillus in 1-c.c. and 10-c.c. samples. Waters that are occasionally polluted will show some or all of these evidences a majority of the time. Therefore, the purity of a given water should not be determined upon a single analysis when that analysis reveals the fact that there is a possibility of contamination.

21. Disinfection and Sterilization.—A water supply is sometimes found where there is no objectionable organic matter present, but which may be subject to contact with pathogenic bacteria. In such cases no treatment such as filtration is necessary, but it is advisable to treat the water with a germicidal agent such as calcium, sodium hypochlorite, or liquid chlorine. These oxidizing agents may be applied in amounts varying from 0.2 to 0.3 parts per million of available chlorine without detriment to the water.

Where a water is pumped from a source, such as above described, direct to a distribution system, it is customary to apply the dose in the suction pipe, the rate of application being controlled by the rate of pumping.

WATER CONSUMPTION

22. In General.—The quantity of water required for any use varies greatly, especially so in residences, where leakage, waste, quality, and temperature are influencing factors. Consumption in cities and villages is usually reckoned on the "per capita" basis and includes all uses, such as domestic, fire, sprinkling, manufacturing, and municipal. In 111 cities with a population of 25,000 or over, the consumption was as follows: maximum 324, average 105, minimum 31 gal. per capita per day. In 76 cities with less than 25,000 population, the consumption was: maximum 149, average 61, minimum 10 gal. per capita per day. Per capita rate in cities usually lies between 60 and 270 gal. per day with an average use of about 100 gal. per day.

23. Residences.—The quantity of water used in residences must necessarily be less than the above averages as it includes only household use, lawn and garden sprinkling. The minimum and maximum consumption in a residence is 42 and 151% of the average, respectively. Minimum usually occurs from 3 to 4 A.M., average between 7 and 9 P.M., and maximum from 9 to 10 A.M. This will vary according to the number of fixtures, leakage, careless use, etc., but with all of the uncertainties, the average residence consumption will be from 15 to 50 gal. per capita per day.

*From the experience of the army cantonments in this country, it was learned that 30 gal. per capita per day is sufficient for all domestic needs, inclusive of sewer flushing, but exclusive of lawn sprinkling and water allowed to run to prevent freezing.

24. Factories and Industries.—The consumption will vary greatly with the nature of the work involved, with the availability of the supply, and the number of, and character of the plumbing fixtures in use. No hard and fast rule can be laid down for this class of consumption. In Table 7 are given some data that will give a rough notion of the consumption that might be expected.

TABLE 7.—CONSUMPTION OF WATER BY FACTORIES AND INDUSTRIES
(Based largely on meter reading)

Character of plant	Min.	Max.	Average
Average eight factories, engines, machines, and supplies per employee per day	24	78	57
Ordinance plants per employee per day	12	33	24
Gasoline engines per employee per day	57		
60 ton sulphite pulp mill per ton			
Acid making			2,625
Cooling gases			5,664
Washing blow pits			4,220
Pumping out blow pits			34,496
Wet room			63,184
Shipped away with pulp			500
Waste			1,200
Total	40,000	150,000	111,889
Tanning hides per hide	17	50	33
Coal mine waters per ton coal	1,200	2,400	
Coal gas per ton coal used	104	136	125
Textile trades:			
Bleaching per lb. of cloth	15		
Bleaching per lb. cotton waste	24		
Wool washing per lb.	1	2.24	
Yarn scouring per 100 lb.	26		
Woolen pieces per yd.	8.33		
Mixing concrete per cubic yard	50	150	

25. Apartment Houses.—The consumption in apartment houses is not greatly different from what we would expect to find in residences, except that there is a comparatively small amount of laundry work done, and usually no lawn or garden sprinkling. The meter readings of nine of these apartment houses give an average of 50 gal. for this type of consumption, with a minimum of 35.4 and maximum of 75 gal. per capita per day. The meter readings of 13 apartments, some having special uses, give a minimum of 35.7 gal., an average of 74.4 gal., and maximum of 181 gal. per capita per day.

The size of the apartment building, *i.e.*, number of separate apartments, does not influence the per capita rate. In large cities the consumption appears to be greater than in small cities. Municipally owned plants with low rates tend to promote lavish use and waste of water as compared with privately owned plants. Where water is used for special purposes, such as pumping air for thermostat operation, water for cooling, and for ice machines, the consumption may run from 75 to 180 gal. per capita per day. In Boston, Dexter Brockett found that the average consumption of 339 apartment houses was 35.6 gal.per capita per day and that the best class used 59 gal., first class, 46 gal., moderate class, 32 gal., and the poorest class, 16.6 gal. per capita per day.

26. Schools.—The average consumption (meter readings for 6 mo.) of 15 schools was 22 gal. per capita per day, the minimum of 12 public schools was 8.5 gal., and maximum, 45 gal. per capita per day. Three parochial schools gave a minimum of 4 gal. and a maximum of 24 gal. per captia per day. The number of pupils in a building did not seem to influence the rate of consumption.

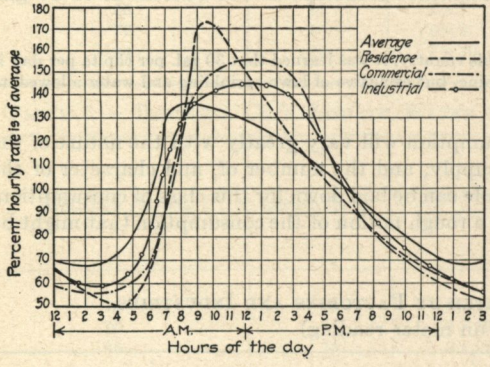


FIG. 2.

Schools where domestic science was taught and shower baths used, show a minimum of 13 gal., a maximum of 45 gal., with an average of 30 gal. per capita per day, whereas in schools where neither domestic science was taught nor shower baths used, the minimum was 8.5 gal., maximum 39 gal., with an average of 19 gal. per capita per day.

27. Milk Condenseries.—Condenseries use from 2 to 3 gal. of water per pound of milk with a possible average of 2.65 gal. per pound of milk.

28. Institutions.—Institutions, especially those of state or public ownership, are lavish users of water as a rule. The average water consumption for 37 institutions was 104 gal. per capita per day, 20 gal. minimum, and a maximum of 310 gal. Of this number of institutions, a Y.W.C.A. Camp, a Children's Home, and a University were the minimum users of water with a consumption of 20 to 25 gal., whereas a State Hospital used the greatest amount—viz., 310 gal. per capita per day.

The minimum consumption for 15 state hospitals and asylums was 50 gal. per capita per day, a maximum of 310 gal., with an average of 63.55 gal.

29. Variations in Rates of Consumption.—The consumption of water varies with the seasons, temperature, day of the week, and with the hour of the day. Seasonal fluctuations vary from a minimum of 75% to a maximum of 125% of the yearly average. Effect of temperature is shown by a record from Detroit, Mich., on an extremely cold day when the consumption for the entire day was 150% and over, of the yearly average. This excess was waste and was done to prevent freezing. On an extremely hot day in the same city, the consumption went up to 175% of the average. Sunday consumption was found to be from 50 to 85% of the daily average. Fig. 2 illustrates the hourly variation in consumption in per cent. of the average daily rate for several classes of consumption. The curves represent average conditions in American cities.

C. M. Saville, Sup't. of Waterworks, Hartford, Conn., measured the maximum rate of consumption of a number of consumers of different classes, a partial list of which is given in Table 8. It will be noted that the maximum consumption of a tenement house occupied by 110 people, an apartment occupied by 40 people, and a family of 6 people is nearly equal in amount. However, the duration of these maximums was much greater for the larger users, being 3 minutes for the residence and 70 minutes for the apartment house.

TABLE 8.—MAXIMUM OBSERVED RATES OF CONSUMPTION IN HARTFORD, CONN.
(Journ. N. E. W. W. Ass'n. Dec., 1918)

Character of service	Number of fixtures	Maximum observed rate, (gal. per min.)	Size of meter needed (inches)
1. 56 rooms, 150 people	94	52.5	1½
2. Market	1*	150.0	2
3. School, 460 pupils	94	150.0	2
4. Bank	1*	135.0	2
5. Hotel	202	135.0	¾
6. Hotel elevator	1*	225.0	3
7. School, 10 room, 15 teachers, 500 pupils	56	45.0	1
8. Tenement block, 110 people	100	9.0	¾
9. Industry, 1000 employees, hundreds of customers	44	32.25	1½
10. 60–2 room apartments, 120 people and department store	135	93.75	1½
11. Laundry	15	225.0	3
12. Residence, 6 people	15	10.0	¾
13. Apartment, 12 suites, 40 people	55†	9.6	1

* Elevator lift. † Estimate.

30. Meters.—A meter should be selected for a given service so that the ordinary rate of flow of water will be approximately the rate at which the accuracy of the meter is a maximum. Too often the selection of the size of a meter is governed by the desire to cut down the loss of head between the main and the faucet, than it is on the rate of flow in the service pipe. Under such conditions, the service rendered does not come within the limits of accurate registry of the meter, and as a result the meter greatly under registers. To meet these conditions, with a view to economy as well as efficiency, Saville says it is desirable to consider:

1. The installation of larger service pipes instead of larger meters.

2. Proper provision in the house-piping system, to meet the demands of modern plumbing, instead of installing larger meters. A large-sized riser pipe, acting as a house standpipe, where flushometer fixtures are installed, might give a better service than could be obtained by use of a larger meter.

3. The selection of meters properly designed for the particular use to which they are to be put. So far as accuracy of registration and durability goes there seems little to influence choice between any of the meters now put on the market by the half-dozen or more reputable manufacturers of water meters. So far, however, as loss of head is concerned, meters of different makes now on the market show considerable variation.

A meter should be set where it will not freeze and preferably should have a breakable bottom. Its location should also be chosen with a view to making it accessible for reading and removing for testing.

TABLE 9.—RATES OF USE OF WATER BY PLUMBING FIXTURES
(Adapted from C. M. Saville, Hartford, Conn.)

Fixtures	Rate of use (gal. per min.)
1. Flushometer closets.	
Operating singly	33.75
Three operating in quick succession	75.0
2. Shower baths.	
10 continuously	45.0
5 continuously	30.0
10 continuously and four flushometer closets operated in quick succession	90.0
3. Urinals.	
22 operated in quick succession by two persons	37.5
4. Hydraulic lift	135.0
5. Hydraulic lift	150.0
6. 6-inch plunger hydraulic elevator	225.0
7. Washing machine.	
Filling 2—150 shirt machines	225.0
Filling 1 large machine	127.5
8. Filter at National Bank	90.0
9. Filter at school, limit of capacity	172.5
Washing filters	75.0

TABLE 10.—SUMMARY OF DATA ON TEN MAKES OF DISK METERS
(Adapted from Saville, Hartford, Conn.)

Size (inches)	Price	Weight (pounds)	Length (inches)	Height (inches)	Diameter (inches)	Approx. delivery in gallons per minute with stated loss of pressure			
						5 lb.	10 lb.	15 lb.	20 lb.
⅝	$ 7.75	10	7⅜	7⅜	6 3/16	8.4	11.8	14.5	16.0
¾	10.20	13½	9	8	8	12.6	17.8	21.8	25.0
1	13.75	20	10½	8½	9¾	25.2	35.5	43.6	50.0
1½	27.00	38	14½	12⅝	12¼	42.0	59.0	73.0	85.0
2	45.60	58	16½	12½	14¼	63.0	89.0	109.0	130.0

Guaranteed accuracy—Maximum rate, 98 to 99%; medium rate, 98%; minimum rate, 90 to 95%.

TABLE 11.—SIZE OF METER REQUIRED

1 to 6 families	⅝-in. meter
6 to 12 families	¾-in. meter
12 to 18 families	1-in. meter
18 to 25 families	1½-in. meter

TABLE 12.—MAXIMUM PROPER RATE OF FLOW AND LOST HEAD THROUGH DISC METERS, TOGETHER WITH THE LENGTH OF STRAIGHT PIPE WHICH GIVES THE SAME LOST HEAD AT THIS RATE
(Adapted from C. M. Saville, Hartford, Conn., Tests on Meters)

Size of meter (inches)	Maximum rate of flow (gal. per min.)	Approximate lengths in feet of straight pipe to give same loss							
		Diameter of pipe (inches)							
		¾	1	1½	2	3	4	6	8
⅝	16	50	165						
¾	25	20	70	600					
1	50	..	20	160	450				
1½	85	..	...	60	170	1250			
2	130	..	...	30	80	570	2300		
3	335	..	...	...	15	100	400	2900	
4	525	..	...	...	...	45	175	1200	
6	900	...	...	...	...	....	65	460	1900

USEFUL HYDRAULIC DATA

31. Pressure of Water.—Pressure of water is usually expressed in pounds per square inch, p, and head or depth of water in feet, h.

$$p = 0.434h \quad \text{(lb. per sq. in.)}$$
$$h = 2.304p \quad \text{(head in feet)}$$

This relationship holds for a static condition whether the pressure or head is created by gravity as from a tank, or by direct pressure from a pump or ram. These same quantities expressed in pounds per square foot are

$$P = 62.5\,H \quad \text{(lb. per sq. ft.)}$$
$$H = 0.016P \quad \text{(head in feet)}$$

The coefficient of P and H will vary slightly with the temperature, being greater for temperatures near 39.1 deg. F. and less for those near the boiling point. For all practical computations it is not necessary to take the variation into consideration.

Where water is flowing in a pipe line from one source, as from a tank at elevation h above point under consideration, the pressure at the end of the pipe is expressed as follows:

$$p = 0.434h - (h_v + h_f + h_i + h_l) \qquad \text{(lb. per sq. in.)}$$

in which h_u = head required to produce velocity of the water, h_f = head to overcome friction in the pipe, h_i = head lost at entrance, and h_l = head available at the end of the pipe, but at the same elevation as point at which p is measured.

32. Flow of Water in Pipes.—Many scientists have derived formulas for the flow of water in pipes, from experiments and theoretical considerations.

TABLE 13.—PRESSURE REQUIRED TO RAISE WATER TO TOP STORY OF BUILDINGS WITH TOP OF TANK 40 FT. ABOVE ROOF, UNDER OPERATING CONDITIONS; ALSO SIZES OF PIPE USED UNDER THESE CONDITIONS

(Hazen & Williams' tables used for loss of head)

Pressure required (lb. per sq. in.)	Number of stories	Elevation in feet		Size of pipe* to supply all floors	Number of people supplied	Gallons per	
		Building	Top of tank			Hr.	Min.
34	1	17	57	1	100	420	7
39	2	30	70	1¼	200	840	14
43	3	43	83	1½	300	1200	20
53	4	50	90	1½	400	1500	25
54	5	63	103	2	500	1980	33
65	6	75	115	2	600	2400	40
63	7	88	128	2½	700	2700	45
70	8	100	140	2½	800	3120	52
78	9	113	153	2½	900	3600	60
78	10	125	165	3	1000	3900	65
86	11	138	178	3	1100	4200	70
93	12	150	190	3	1200	4500	75

Notes on Table 13.—Only one riser pipe is assumed to supply building and the elevation chosen is sufficient to give 25 lb. on highest floor from either municipal, elevated, or pneumatic tank supply. Friction loss based on maximum rate, assumed at twice the average for 24 hr. 20% of friction loss in pipe and velocity head is added to cover loss in elbows and faucets. Where number of people are less or consumption per capita is less, the smaller sizes of pipe can be extended to higher stories.

* Supply assumed to come from public supply or private in basement or at ground level; velocity for average supply 3 to 4 ft. per second.

If supply is to come from elevated tank on roof, then the largest size of pipe should extend from basement to roof. Example.—(*a*) What size of pipe should be chosen for an 11-story building supplying 1100 people with tank on roof? (*b*) With municipal supply?

(*a*) 3 in. for full 11 stories. (*b*) 3 in. for first 2 stories, 2½ in. for next 3 stories, 2 in. for next 2 stories, 1½ in. for next 2 stories, 1¼ in. for the next, and 1 in. for the last story.

Example.—What size of pipe should be used for a 6-story building supplying 1200 people with 4500 gallons of water?

In this case the size should be chosen for the supply and not the floor, so a 3-in. should be used. The pressure required would be slightly less than 65 lb.

One of the simplest and most commonly used is the Darcy formula in which

$$h = f \cdot \frac{lv^2}{d \cdot 2g} \qquad \text{(Head lost in feet)}$$

in which h = loss of head in feet.

f = a coefficient approximately $= 0.02$.

l = length of pipe in feet.

d = diameter of pipe in feet.

v = velocity in feet per second.
g = gravity.
Q = cubic feet per second.

Tables have been prepared by Weston, Williams and Hazen, and others, showing the loss of head for all standard sizes of pipes and covering a wide range in discharge.

From the above formula the following relationship may be found:
The loss of head (h) varies directly with the square of the discharge (Q).
The loss of head (h) varies inversely with the fifth power of the diameter (d).
The discharge (Q) varies directly with the five halves power of the diameter.
The discharge varies inversely as the square root of the length (l) and directly as the square root of the loss of head (h).

33. Head Lost in Elbows, Tees, Valves, Etc.—Besides the head lost in friction in straight pipe due to the flow of water, there are other losses, such as occur in elbows, tees, valves, and meters. The condition of the surface of the interior of the elbow or tee, its diameter, and radius, effect the loss of head to such an extent that no very definite rule can be made as to the amount of this form of loss of head in a pipe system. The loss may be expressed in several ways, but for convenience it is best to express it in equivalent length of pipe of same size. The following extract is from the *Engineering News*, issue of June 10, 1917, p. 38:

The loss of head in long turn elbows 2½ to 8 in. in diameter for all flows, is about equal to that in 4 ft. of pipe of same diameter; for same sizes with short radius, the loss of head is equal to that in 9 ft. of pipe of same diameter. For tees with long radius, the equivalent is 9 ft. and with short radius 17 ft. Loss of head in ⅛-in. bends is about equal to 5 ft. of pipe.

TABLE 14.—LOSS OF HEAD THROUGH PIPE ELBOWS
(Bulletin 1759, University of Texas)

Diameter of bend in inches	½	¾	1	1½	2	2½	3	3½	4
Equivalent length of straight pipe in feet. Velocity 1 ft. per sec	1.2	1.7	2.2	3.25	4.3	5.35	6.4	7.45	8.5
2 ft. per second	1.3	1.9	2.5	3.75	4.9	6.1	7.3	8.5	9.7
3 ft. per second	1.5	2.1	2.75	4.0	5.3	6.6	7.9	9.2	10.5

In Tables 15 and 16 are given all of the available data on the loss of head in wide open valves. For data on the loss of head in valves partly open, see Bull. 105, Engr. Exp. Station, University of Illinois.

TABLE 15.—LOSS OF HEAD IN GATE VALVES
(Compiled by Charles I. Corp from experiments in the hydraulic laboratory of the University of Wisconsin)

Valves wide open

Size of valve in inches	½	¾	1	1½	2	3	4	5	6
Equivalent length of straight pipe in feet	1.5	1.75	2	2.5	3	3.5	4	4.5	5

TABLE 16.—LOSS OF HEAD IN GLOBE, ANGLE, AND CHECK VALVES
(Compiled by Charles I. Corp from various sources, representing practically all published data obtainable)

Type of valve	Globe			Angle			Check			
							4 in.		6 in.	
	1 in.	1½ in.	2 in.	1 in.	2 in.	1½ in.	*A*	*B*	*A*	*B*
Equivalent length of straight pipe in feet	15	25	30	10	11	36	25	130	50	200

"*A*" Pratt and Cady Check Valve.
"*B*" Walworth Globe Check Valve.

34. Ratio of Capacities of Pipes.—It is often desirable to know how many pipes of a given size are equal to one pipe of a larger size. Pipe sizes are to each other as the squares of their diameters and this relation is often erroneously used for the ratio of capacities. Table 17 gives the correct relationship based on carrying capacity, as nearly as can be stated for all rates of flow.

TABLE 17.—RATIO OF PIPE CAPACITIES
(Diameter of Pipe in Inches)

Dia.	⅜	½	⅝	¾	1	1¼	1½	2	2½	3	4	5	6	8	10
⅜	1.0	0.555	0.357	0.267	0.14	0.067	0.045	0.025							
½	1.8	1.0	0.557	0.50	0.25	0.125	0.084	0.046	0.025						
⅝	2.8	1.8	1.0	0.56	0.30	0.17	0.103	0.049	0.027	0.0167					
¾	3.8	2.0	1.6	1.0	0.53	0.25	0.20	0.10	0.054	0.033	0.0154				
1	7.0	4.0	3.4	1.9	1.0	0.50	0.32	0.18	0.10	0.0625	0.029	0.0164			
1¼	15.0	8.0	6.0	4.0	2.0	1.0	0.66	0.38	0.21	0.13	0.06	0.033	0.0209		
1½	22.5	12.0	10.0	5.0	3.1	1.5	1.0	0.57	0.31	0.19	0.09	0.0509	0.0314		
2	40.0	21.7	20.5	10.0	5.4	2.7	1.8	1.0	0.56	0.34	0.16	0.09	0.056		
2½	....	40.0	37.5	18.7	10.0	4.8	3.2	1.8	1.0	0.63	0.29	0.16	0.101		
3	....	....	60.0	30.0	16.0	7.8	5.2	2.9	1.6	1.0	0.47	0.26	0.16	0.077	
4	....	....	....	65.0	34.0	16.7	11.0	6.3	3.4	2.1	1.0	0.56	0.34	0.164	0.09
5	....	....	....	....	61.0	30.0	19.65	11.3	6.1	3.9	1.8	1.0	0.62	0.29	0.16
6	....	....	....	....	.....	47.8	31.8	17.9	9.9	6.2	2.94	1.6	1.0	0.47	0.25
8	....	....	....	....	...	....	....	....	....	13.2	6.13	3.4	2.1	1.0	0.55
10	....	....	....	....	...	....	....	....	....	20.3	9.9	6.3	4.0	1.8	1.0

Illustrative Problem.—What diameter pipe should be used to supply six 1-in., four ¾-in., and eight ½-in. pipes?

Reduce all sizes to equivalent 1-in. pipes from Table 14 as follows:

6—1 in. = 6—1-in. pipes
4—¾ in. = 2—1-in. pipes
8—½ in. = 2—1-in. pipes
All = 10—1-in. pipes
1—2½ in. = 10—1-in. pipes

That is, ten 1-in. pipes are equivalent to one 2½-in. pipe. Where the total number of equivalent pipes does not exactly equal one large pipe, *i.e.*, suppose the above total had been 13 instead of ten 1-in. pipes, we should use a 3-in. pipe as it is the next larger size that could be used. It is not necessary to always use 1 in. for a common base. If 1¼-in. pipe had been used, we would have 5—1¼-in. pipes; 4.8—1¼-in. pipes = 1—2½-in. pipe, giving the same result.

35. Fire Streams.—In Table 18 are given data upon such fire streams as should be used from standpipe service within a building. These streams are intended only for first-aid stream in non-fireproof buildings or for small fires in fireproof buildings. For all non-fireproof buildings, equipment should be provided to supply fire streams outside of buildings and from hydrants on city or private mains. Data for such streams are given in Table 19.

TABLE 18.—FIRE STREAM DATA FOR STANDPIPE SERVICE

Elevation above hose connection in feet	¼-in. nozzle, 100 ft. of 1-in. hose			½-in. nozzle, 100 ft. of 1½-in. hose			⅝-in. nozzle, 100 ft. of 2-in. hose			¾-in. nozzle, 100 ft. of 2-in. hose		
	Height of jet	Gallons per minute	Loss of head in hose	Height of jet	Gallons per minute	Loss of head in hose	Height of jet	Gallons per minute	Loss of head in hose	Height of jet	Gallons per minute	Loss of head in hose
10	9.37	3.6	2.0	9.7	14.5	3.0	9.7	22.7	2.2	9.8	32.8	4.5
20	17.5	5.1	3.0	18.7	20.6	5.5	19.0	32.2	4.4	19.2	46.2	9.0
30	24.4	6.4	5.0	27.2	25.2	7.5	27.7	39.4	6.6	28.3	56.8	12.8
40	30.0	7.3	7.0	35.0	29.6	11.0	36.0	45.5	8.3	37.0	65.5	16.5
50	34.0	8.1	7.8	42.2	32.5	12.8	44.0	50.9	10.0	45.0	73.3	19.6
60	37.5	8.9	9.7	48.7	35.6	15.0	51.0	55.7	12.0	52.0	80.3	23.8
70	39.0	9.6	11.0	55.0	38.5	17.0	58.0	60.1	13.9	60.0	86.8	25.0
80	39.4	10.3	12.0	60.0	41.2	19.5	64.0	64.3	16.0	67.0	92.6	31.0
90	40.0	10.9	14.0	65.0	43.7	20.0	70.0	68.3	17.0	73.0	98.4	34.2
100	40.5	11.6	16.4	69.0	46.1	24.0	75.0	72.0	19.6	79.0	103.7	38.0

TABLE 19.—FIRE STREAM DATA FOR HYDRANT SERVICE

Pressure in pounds at nozzle	¾-in. nozzle, 100 ft. of 2½-in. hose			1-in. nozzle, 100 ft. of 2½-in. hose			1⅛-in. nozzle, 100 ft. of 2½-in. hose		
	Height of jet	Gallons per minute	Loss of head in hose	Height of jet	Gallons per minute	Loss of head in hose	Height of jet	Gallons per minute	Loss of head in hose
10	17	52	1	18	93	2			
20	33	73	2	35	132	5	36	168	8
30	48	90	2	51	161	7	52	206	12
40	60	104	3	64	186	10	65	238	16
50	67	116	4	73	208	12	75	266	20
60	72	127	5	79	228	15	83	291	24
70	76	137	5	85	246	17	88	314	28
80	79	147	6	89	263	20	92	336	32
90	81	156	7	92	279	22	96	356	36
100	83	164	8	96	295	25	99	376	40

36. Sprinkler Systems.—The dry pipe system is one in which water is turned into the main pipes that supply the pipes in the building, but an air pressure greater than the water pressure is maintained in the distributing pipes. When a sprinkler is open, the air in the pipe system immediately begins to escape. The air pressure is thus lowered and water automatically flows into the system and escapes through the open sprinklers. The dry system is desirable only in places where wet pipes will freeze. The general Underwriter's requirements for proper installation of sprinkler systems call for the use of two independent water supplies, in order to secure the minimum rate of insurance, which may be from 30 to 50% reduction on the total insurance rates. One of these supplies must be automatic and one should furnish water under heavy pressure. The Underwriter's accept the following combination:

Public Water Works and Duplex Steam Pump.
Public Water Works and Air Pressure Tanks.
Elevated Gravity Tank and Duplex Steam Pumps.
Public Water Works and Elevated Gravity Tank.
Public Water Works and Rotary Pumps.
Elevated Gravity Tank and Air Pressure Tank.
Elevated Gravity Tank and Rotary Pumps.

A steam pressure of not less than 50 lb. should be maintained at all times on the pumps, and an automatic regulator should be applied to the steam pump so that it will start automatically when a sprinkler is unsealed, thereby furnishing the system with a full supply of water.

TABLE 20.—LOSS OF HEAD IN 2½—IN. FIRE HOSE
Hydrant pressure 100 lb. (from S. A. Charles)

Length of hose (feet)	Pressure at nozzle (pounds per square inch)	Loss of pressure in hose (pounds per square inch)	Discharge gallons per minute
50	87.0	13.0	274
100	80.0	20.0	262
200	69.2	30.8	243
300	61.2	38.8	231
400	55.7	44.3	218
500	50.0	50.0	208
600	45.5	54.5	198
700	41.5	58.5	189
800	38.1	61.9	180
900	34.8	65.2	173
1000	30.0	70.0	161
1500	22.4	77.6	138

Number of Automatic Sprinkler Nozzles, Underwriter's Rules.—The approximate number of sprinkler nozzles for open joist construction is one to every 80 sq. ft. of floor space; for fireproof construction, one to 90 to 100 sq. ft. of floor space. Nozzles are usually spaced 8 to 12 ft. apart on the pipe line and the lines 10 to 12 ft. apart, depending on the size of the bays made by the joists and floor beams.

SIZE OF PIPES AND NUMBER OF NOZZLES

Size of pipe (inches)	¾	1	1¼	1½	2	2½	3	3½	4	5	6
Maximum number of sprinklers	1	2	3	5	10	20	36	55	80	140	200

Pressure.—The supply should give not less than 25 lb. static pressure at the highest line of sprinklers and 10 lb. dynamic pressure when the section is liable to be open at one time.

Tanks, Gravity.—Capacity, 30,000 gal., 75 ft. from yard level with bottom at least 20 ft. above highest sprinkler.

Tanks, Pressure.—Total capacity 45,000 gal.

DISCHARGE OF SPRINKLER NOZZLES
(Average of four records)

Pounds, pressure	5	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100
Gallons per minute	12	17.5	25	30.5	35.5	40	44	48	51.5	54.7	58

The Granell metal disc discharges 10% less, the Walworth 10% more and the Esty 20% more water than the above. The discharge of these sprinklers is about a mean between open ⅜-in. and ½-in. straight nozzle.

37. Standpipe and Hose Systems—*Number of Standpipes.*—There shall be one large standpipe for 2½-in. hose to each accessible floor area not exceeding 150 × 75 ft.; for 1¼-in. and 1½-in. first aid hose streams, one to each 80 × 40 ft. of accessible floor area. First aid hose lines must reach within 5 ft. of all portions of the building, and 2½-in. hose streams within 10 ft. of all portions of the building. 2½-in. hose should have 1⅛-in. nozzles; and 1½-in. hose, ½- to ¾-in. nozzles.

Tanks.—Gravity tanks should have a capacity of 2500 gal. with bottom 20 ft. above roof; pressure tanks same as for sprinkler systems.

TABLE 21.—AREA, DIMENSIONS, AND CONTENTS OF WROUGHT-IRON PIPES

Diameter (inches)	Area (square feet)	Internal area (square inches)	External area (square inches)	Internal circumf. (inches)	External circumf. (inches)	Gallons per foot of length
½	0.0021	0.304	0.554	1.957	2.642	0.0158
¾	0.0037	0.533	0.866	2.589	3.299	0.0277
1	0.0059	0.861	1.358	3.292	4.134	0.0447
1½	0.0141	2.036	2.835	5.061	5.970	0.1058
2	0.0233	3.356	4.430	6.494	7.461	0.1743
2½	0.0332	4.780	6.492	7.754	9.032	0.2483
3	0.0513	7.383	9.621	9.636	10.996	0.3835
3½	0.0687	9.887	12.566	11.146	12.566	0.5136
4	0.0884	12.730	15.904	12.648	14.137	0.6613
4½	0.1109	15.961	19.635	14.153	15.708	0.829
5	0.1388	19.986	24.301	15.849	17.475	1.038
6	0.2005	28.890	34.472	19.054	20.813	1.500
7	0.2691	38.738	45.664	22.063	23.954	2.012
8	0.3479	50.027	58.426	25.076	27.096	2.599
9	0.4352	62.730	72.760	28.277	30.333	3.259
10	0.5474	78.823	90.763	31.475	33.772	4.095
12	0.7854	113.098	127.677	37.70	40.05	5.875

SIZES OF STANDPIPES FOR 2½-IN. HOSE AND 1⅛-IN. STREAM

Pipe size	Number of floors	Height of building	Number of streams
4	4	55	4
5	6	75	6
6	12	150	8
8	over 12		

SIZES FOR 1¼-IN. AND 1½-IN. HOSE FIRST AID STREAMS

2	4	50	2–50 gallon streams.

38. Rain Leaders or Down Spouts.—No very definite rules can be laid down for the runoff from roofs or the size of rain leaders, for the reason that there are so many modifying conditions that cannot be previously judged or estimated. The entrance to the down spout or leader may be well designed but at the time of an unusual storm would be clogged with leaves and other debris. However, if we assume favorable conditions to exist, and that the head of water maintained by the rain over the inlet to the down spout is used to overcome the resistance at the inlet and to produce the velocity in the leader at its starting point, then the relationships between intensity of rain, areas of roofs, and sizes of down spouts are given in Table 22.

This table is prepared on the assumption that the flooding of the inlet of rain leader is ½ in., ¾ in., and 1 in. for small (*S*), medium (*M*), and large (*L*) roofs, respectively Intensity of rainfall for a few minutes, as 15, may reach 3.5 in. in Eastern and Central United States. These values for intensity of 2 in. per hour agree well with the following approximate rule:

For small roofs, 1 sq. in. in sectional area of the leader for each 150 sq. ft. of roof surface; for medium sized roofs, 1 sq. in. in sectional area of the leader for each 200 sq. ft. of roof surface; and for large roofs, 1 sq. in. in sectional area of the leader for each 250 sq. ft. of roof surface.

TABLE 22.—SIZE OF RAIN LEADERS FOR INTENSITIES OF RAIN AND AREAS OF ROOF IN SQUARE FEET

		Intensity of rain in inches per hour								
Relative size of roof	Size of rain leader (diameter in inches)	1 in.	1½ in.	2 in.	2½ in.	3 in.	3½ in.	4 in.	5 in.	6 in.
S	2½	1728	1150	864	692	576	494	432	345	288
M	2½	1918	1278	951	766	639	548	479	384	319
L	2½	2407	1605	1205	962	802	688	620	482	401
S	3	2407	1605	1205	962	802	688	620	482	401
M	3	2885	1925	1444	1155	962	824	722	577	481
L	3	3370	2248	1685	1349	1124	963	843	674	562
S	4	3840	2560	1920	1535	1282	1098	960	768	640
M	4	4800	3200	2400	1922	1600	1374	1200	961	800
L	4	5770	3850	2885	2310	1925	1650	1444	1144	953
S	5	6000	4000	3000	2100	2000	1715	1502	1200	1000
M	5	8115	5405	4057	3245	2705	2320	2030	1624	1355
L	5	9620	6420	4810	3850	3210	2750	2405	1925	1605
S	6	9620	6420	4810	3850	3210	2750	2405	1925	1605
M	6	12000	8000	6000	4800	4000	3460	3000	2400	2000
L	6	14400	9600	7200	5760	4800	4115	3600	2880	2400

Rainfall which might effect the size of rain leaders or the size of cisterns for roof water are best expressed in formulas:

i = intensity of rain in inches per hour.
t = time in minutes from the beginning of the storm.

British storms

Very rare $i = \dfrac{240}{t + 30}$

Unusual $i = \dfrac{168}{t + 30}$

Numerous storms $i = \dfrac{84}{t + 30}$

Central Europe

Once a year $i = \dfrac{36}{t + 10}$

Talbot's curves for U.S.A.

Eastern states, maximum $i = \dfrac{360}{t + 30}$

Ordinary storms $i = \dfrac{105}{t + 15}$

These formulas are typical of the Temperate zone. The numerator of all of these formulas is usually 25 times the maximum 1-day rain in 20 yr.

PUMPING EQUIPMENT

39. Hydraulic Rams.—The hydraulic ram is the most efficient pumping engine known, because it is both a motor and a pump. It operates on the principle of a water hammer; that is, a quantity of water in a pipe called *drive pipe* is allowed to get up a high velocity by flowing freely into the atmosphere when suddenly a valve is closed. The energy of the moving water is then transformed into pressure, thus driving a portion of it to a higher elevation or against a pressure greater than the static pressure on the drive pipe.

Referring to Fig. 3, suppose that the valve "*C*" is open so that the water entering from the drive pipe "*A*" can flow out freely. The pressure on the under side of "*C*" will gradually increase until the valve is forced to its seat. The energy of the moving water equal to

$$W\frac{v^2}{2g} \qquad \text{(ft. lb. per sec.)}$$

will force the check valve "*D*" open and thus force some of the water into the air chamber "*E*." The recoil or "kicks" backwards will close "*D*" and open "*C*," thus completing a cycle. When the length and size of the drive pipe, and adjustment of the valves "*C*" and "*D*" are proper for the given conditions, the machine will work on indefinitely without any attention. The only cost of operation is the possible replacement of these valves once a year.

Conditions favorable for the installation of a ram are: a supply of water from a spring, stream, or artesian well, greater than 3 gal. per minute; a fall or difference of elevation of 3 ft. or more; an outlet for the waste water; space for a drive pipe of proper length; and the ratio

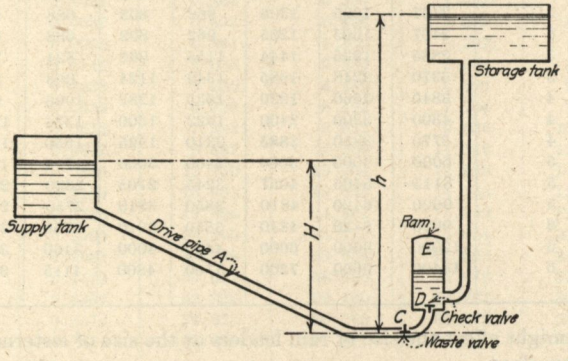


FIG. 3.

of fall of water to lift of discharge not over 1 to 8 or 9 for small power heads and not over 1 to 30 for high heads.

The amount (q) of water raised in gallons per minute is given by the following formula:

$$q = E\frac{Q\,H}{h} \qquad \text{(gal. per min.)}$$

in which Q = gallons per minute available from source of supply.
q = gallons per minute raised to elevation h.
H = fall in feet from source of supply to ram.
h = elevation in feet above ram to which water is raised.
E = efficiency of ram (about 66⅔%).

Rams are made single and double acting; single acting raise a part of the water that is used for power, but double acting can use, for instance, a muddy water of a stream for power, and a clear water from an artesian well or spring for the delivered water.

To determine the proper size of ram to use, measure the supply (Q) of water available for power purposes in gallons per minute. Measure the head (H) available for power, which is the distance in feet from the surface of the water in supply to level of waste valve at ram site. The discharge head (h) should also be measured as accurately as possible by level or surveying instrument. To this head should be added the friction head and velocity head, where the quantities of water are large. The size of the drive pipe for small rams should be such that the average velocity of the power water will be about 1.5 ft. per sec.

There are many makes of the smaller rams that can be secured from any large jobbing house. There are two companies at least that make large rams; these are the Rife Hydraulic Mfg. Co., and the Niagara Hydraulic Engine Co.

To use Table 23, select number of ram corresponding to the flow of the stream or well, provide drive and discharge pipes of diameter given opposite this number.

The length of the drive pipe for No. 1 to No. 4 incl. should be 60 ft. or more; for sizes No. 6 to No. 48 the length will depend upon the ratio of power head to discharge head and should be estimated for each installation.

TABLE 23.—TRADE INFORMATION ON CAPACITIES OF NIAGARA RAMS

No. of ram	Diameter of drive pipe (inches)	Flow of spring, stream, or artesian well (gallons per minute)	Fall of power water in feet		Diameter of discharge pipe (inches)	Will elevate for each foot of fall	Limit of discharge, elevation in feet	Weight	Price	
			Min.	Max.					Single	Double
00	½	½ to 2	3	40	⅜	30	300	35	$ 20	$....
0	¾	2 to 4	3	40	½	35	400	50	28	....
1	1	5 to 11	3	40	¾	35	400	190	45	60
1½	1½	8 to 18	3	40	1	35	400	292	55	70
2	2	10 to 25	2	40	1	35	400	400	60	80
3	3	20 to 40	2	40	1½	35	400	500	75	90
4	4	35 to 75	1½	40	2	30	300	779	145	465
6	6	100 to 200	1½	30	3	35	300	1,600	400	926
12	12	400 to 900	1½	50	6	35	800	6,000	1200	1350
18	18	1000 to 1,800	1½	50	9	35	800	9,000	1800	1950
24	24	1600 to 3,600	1½	50	12	35	800	12,000	2660	2775
36	36	3500 to 9,000	1½	40	18	35	500	14,050	3480	3685
48	48	9000 to 15,000	1½	40	24	35	500	16,000	4350	4475

40. Deep Well Plunger Pumps.—Deep well plunger pumps are generally used where a relatively small quantity of water is desired, or where the size and depth of the well will not permit the use of other types of pumps. They are usually single acting, raise water on up

TABLE 24.—TRADE INFORMATION ON "PAUL" PUMPS, TYPE "*H*" DEEP WELL TYPE

No. of pump	Stroke (inches)	Up stroke per minute	Motor horse-power	Diameter of cylinder (inches)	Capacity (gallons per hour)	Size drop pipe (inches)	Smallest well casing (inches)	Discharge pipe (inches)	Maximum total head (feet)*	Depth to water at 50 lb. discharge†
50-*H*	5	48	½	....	150	1¼	2	¾	162	50
51-*H*	6	44	¾	1¾	164	2	3	¾	340	260
51-*H*	6	44	¾	2¼	273	2½	4	1	210	130
51-*H*	6	44	¾	2¾	407	3	4	1¼	140	60
53-*H*	8	44	1	1¾	220	2	3	¾	360	280
53-*H*	8	44	1	2¼	363	2½	4	1	220	140
53-*H*	8	44	1	2¾	543	3	4	1¼	150	70
53-*H*	8	44	1	....	220	1¼	2	¾	310	160
54-*H*	10	40	2	2¼	413	2½	4	1	450	370
54-*H*	10	40	2	2¾	616	3	4	1¼	300	220
54-*H*	10	40	2	3¼	862	3½	4½	1½	220	140
54-*H*	10	40	2	3¾	1147	4	6	2	170	90
55-*H*	10	40	3	3½	1000	2½	4	1½	280	170
55-*H*	10	40	3	3¾	1147	3	4½	2	240	140
55-*H*	10	40	3	4	1310	3	4½	2	210	120
56-*H*	12	40	3	4	1567	3	4½	2	180	90
56-*H*	12	40	3	4¼	1770	3½	5	2	150	70

* From water level in well to highest point of discharge, corresponding to maximum pressure at pump, allowing for 75 ft. of steel pump rod.

† Allowance has been made for steel pump rod to submerge cylinders 25 ft., also for 15-lb. range of automatic controllers.

Note: "Maximum total head" means the total distance in feet from lowest water level to highest point of discharge. If the pump will discharge into a pneumatic tank, the maximum total head will be the distance in feet from the lowest water level to the pump added to the maximum discharge pressure at the pump converted into feet.

stroke so far as cylinder is concerned, but where lift is above discharge head of pump, some makes have a differential plunger which delivers half of the water raised by the cylinder on the down stroke. Other makes are double acting with two or more lifting rods, or one large one that raises water on the down stroke. Complicated deep well pumps should be avoided where possible.

For heavy duty, the "*A*" frame type of head is best. These pumps may be operated by belt or by gears from motor, or the cylinder rod may be operated by a direct acting steam head, which is very uneconomical in the use of steam and gives very poor service. Table 24 gives a fair notion of the trade sizes of small deep well pumps and what they will do.

41. Rotary or Impeller Pumps.—The rotary pump consists of a series of impellers (helixes) on a shaft placed in the well, extending from a point below the water to the surface of the ground. Rotary pumps are used where the water is delivered at the surface of the ground, as for irrigation, or into a surface reservoir. They are best operated by a vertical shaft motor or a cross belt from other motive power. They are particularly adapted to use where large quantities of water are desired from relatively small and shallow wells where an air lift or turbine pump could not be used. There is at least one very serious objection to their use as well as to other deep well pumps of a rotary type, and that is that all of the moving parts are below ground where it is difficult to get at them for renewal or repair.

TABLE 25.—TRADE DATA ON IMPELLER PUMPS

Size of well casing and number of pump	Capacity (gallons per minute)		Maximum depth	Price with 100 ft. of shaft	Extra price per foot of shaft
	Min.	Max.			
6	175	400	80	$ 580.00	$....
8	350	850	100	750.00	4.00
10	600	1200	110	925.00	5.00
12	1000	2000	120	1160.00	6.00
15	2000	4000	130	1515.00	

TABLE 26.—TRADE DATA ON THE HILL TRIP CO.'S IMPELLER PUMPS

Well (inches)	Weight of head without motor (pounds)	Speed (r.p.m.)	Capacity per minute (gallons)	Lift in feet	Horse-power	Diameter discharge (inches)
6	1800	1200 to 1600	200 to 400	25 to 150	5 to 40	6
6¼	1800	1200 to 1600	200 to 400	25 to 150	5 to 40	6
8	2500	1000 to 1400	400 to 750	25 to 150	10 to 65	8
8¼	2500	1000 to 1400	400 to 750	25 to 150	10 to 65	8
9⅝	2500	900 to 1200	700 to 1100	25 to 150	15 to 90	10
10	2500	900 to 1200	700 to 1100	25 to 150	15 to 90	10
12	3000	800 to 1000	1000 to 1500	25 to 150	25 to 150	12

42. Air Lift Pumps.—The air lift pump is dependent for its operation on the principle that an emulsion of air and water has less specific gravity than water alone. The column of water outside the pump is balanced against the column of air and water within the pump in the form of an emulsion. To bring these conditions about, the pump, while in operation, must extend into the water a sufficient distance to produce the proper mixture. The water is raised from the well due to the energy stored in the compressed air and by its ability to absorb heat from the water. The idea that the operation of the air lift pump is based on the ejector prin-

ciple, is erroneous. There are certain terms used in air lift pumping which will be defined here (see Fig. 4).

Static lift—Distance in feet from level of water in well to surface of ground = h_s.

Pumping lift—Distance in feet from level of water, when pumping, to surface of ground = h_p.

Static submergence—Distance from surface of water to air inlet on pump before pumping starts = S_s.

Pumping submergence—Distance from surface of water to air inlet on pump during pumping = S_p. Usually expressed as a percentage of the total length of the pump and should vary slightly with the lift.

Drop or *lowering*—Distance water recedes in well due to pumping and caused by friction in the well itself = difference between static lift and pumping lift.

Elevation—Distance water is raised above ground = E.

Total lift—$H = h_p + E = h_s + (S_p - S_s) + E$. (Head in feet)

Air pipe—Pipe leading compressed air from surface of ground to air inlet of pump.

Eduction pipe—The pipe or well casing discharging the emulsion of air and water.

Foot piece—A casting with orifice, nozzle, or tube in which the air and water are mixed.

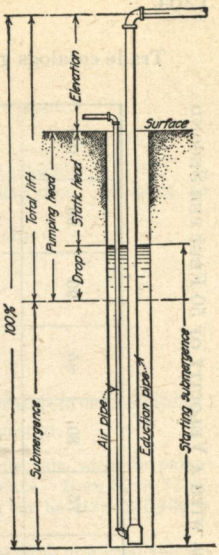


Fig. 4.

Air Pump Design.—There are so many factors entering into the operation of the air lift pump that no hard and fast rules can at this time be laid down for its design, or for its selection for a given set of conditions.

TABLE 27.—TRADE INFORMATION ON AIR LIFT PUMPS

Size and Capacities of Indiana Air Pumps

Size of pump and discharge (inches)	Minimum size of casing (inches)	Minimum size of air line (inches)	Maximum capacity in gallons per minute 65 to 70% submergence
1	2½	¼	5– 10
1¼	3	⅜	10– 20
1½	3½	½	20– 30
2	4	½	50– 67
2½	4¾	¾	65– 85
3	5⅝	¾	120– 165
3½	6	¾	160– 275
4	6⅝	1	225– 325
4½	7⅝	1	275– 400
5	8	1	350– 600
6	9⅝	1½	550–1000
7	10⅝	1½	750–1200
8	11⅝	1½	1000–1500
9	13	2	1250–2000
10	14	2	1600–2500

TABLE 28.—SIZE AND CAPACITY OF SULLIVAN AIR LIFTS

Size discharge (inches)	Approximate capacity (gallons per minute)	Diameter well head (inches)	Approximate shipping weight (pounds)
1	5	4	65
1¼	10	4	75
1½	20	4	85
2	50	6	125
2½	75	6	135
3	100– 150	6	150
3½	150– 200	8	175
4	200– 300	8	185
4½	300– 350	8	200
5	350– 500	10	250
6	500– 800	10	300
7	800–1500	12	350

TABLE 29.—CUBIC FEET OF FREE AIR PER MINUTE THAT WILL FLOW THROUGH PIPES WITH A VELOCITY OF 50 FEET PER SECOND WHEN UNDER A GIVEN PRESSURE
(Pressure in pounds per square inch)

Size of pipe (inches)	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100
¾	18.65	22.4	26.2	30.0	33.8	37.5	41.3	45.0	48.8	52.6	56.4	60.3	63.3	67.8	71.5	75.4	79.0	82.9	86.6
1	29.7	35.7	41.8	47.7	53.8	59.8	65.8	71.8	77.8	84.0	89.9	96.0	100.9	108.1	114.0	120.0	126.0	132.0	138.0
1½	72.3	85.5	100.2	114.4	128.9	143.2	157.6	172.0	186.4	200.6	215.0	229.0	241.0	258.0	272.0	287.0	301.0	315.3	329.9
2	117.4	141.2	165.0	188.5	212.5	236.2	260.0	283.5	307.0	331.5	355.0	379.0	398.0	426.5	450.0	474.0	497.5	521.0	545.0
2½	167.5	201.0	227.8	269.0	303.0	337.0	370.5	404.0	438.0	472.5	506.0	540.0	566.5	608.0	642.0	676.0	709.5	743.0	777.0
3	257.2	309.5	361.5	413.5	465.5	518.0	569.0	621.0	673.0	726.4	778.0	830.0	872.0	935.0	986.0	1040.0	1090.1	1142.0	1195.0

Trade catalogs give the following information as to proper submergence:

For lifts up to 50 ft.	70 to 66% submergence
50 to 100 ft.	66 to 55% submergence
100 to 200 ft.	55 to 50% submergence
200 to 300 ft.	50 to 43% submergence
300 to 400 ft.	43 to 40% submergence
400 to 500 ft.	40 to 33% submergence

Some commercial authorities state that the area of the cross section of the eduction pipe should be 1 sq. in. to each 12 to 15 gal. pumped per min. Other authorities, such as Ivens, state that the inlet velocity of the air and water should not be greater than 10 to 12 ft. per sec. at the foot piece and 20 to 25 ft. at the point of discharge. The size of the air pipe can be determined roughly by fixing the maximum velocity of the compressed air at inlet at 50 lin. ft. per sec. (for capacities of pipes on this basis see Table 29).

The quantity of *free* air (at atmospheric pressure) per minute required per gallon of water pumped, is given approximately by the following formula:

$$V_a = \frac{H}{C \log \frac{S_p + 34}{34}} \qquad \text{(Cu. ft. air per gal.)}$$

in which V_a = cu. ft. of air per min. per gal. of water pumped.

H and S_p are as given above.

C = a factor which varies as follows:

Lift in ft.	Value of C
10 to 60	245
61 to 200	233
201 to 500	216
501 to 650	185
651 to 750	156

The value of C for ideal conditions (100% efficiency) with no loss of head in friction or velocity is 580, and with this value the above formula is theoretically correct assuming no losses. However, these are partially cared for in the values of C to be applied to a given condition.

It has been found in practice that for ordinary lifts the submergence should be about 60% of the entire length of the pump when the pump is in operation. There is no limit to the lift so long as the well is deep enough to provide the proper submergence, and providing the compressor has sufficient strength and power to produce the compressed air at the required pressure.

The pressure required to operate an air lift pump depends entirely upon the submergence and upon the friction in air pipe, elbows, valves, and foot piece. The low efficiency of many air lift pumps is no doubt caused by large losses in air pipes, small openings in nozzle at foot piece, etc., rather than in the real act of pumping the water.

Advantages of air lift:

1. Any number of wells and at any distance apart may be pumped by one power plant.
2. More water can be secured from the same wells than by any other system.
3. Sand no obstacle, except as it may erode the pipe or decrease the efficiency.
4. Improvement in the character of the water, due to aeration, as to purity and solubility.
5. All machinery and moving parts are above ground where they can be looked after. No oiling, no breakdowns.
6. Reduction in temperature, due to absorption of the heat in the water by the air.
7. Sustained efficiency.

Limitations of system:

Quantity of water.
Submergence.
Vertical not horizontal discharge.

There are three principal systems in use, defined according to the arrangement of piping: the outside air pipe, the central air pipe, and the central discharge pipe system.

Illustrative Problem.—A well 500 ft. deep, and 8 in. in diameter, will supply 250 gal. per min. when the pumping head is 65 ft. and the drop 15 ft. It is desired to raise the water 10 ft. above the surface. Here H_p = 75 ft., S should be 65% or 112.5 ft., and total length of pump, 187.5 ft. The starting pressure will be 112.5 × 0.434 = 48.8 lb.

From the above equation for V_a with C = 233, we have required 0.51 cu. ft. of air per gal. or a total amount required of 250 × 0.51 = 127.5, say 130 cu. ft. per min. The volume of this air at 50 lb. pressure is $\frac{(130)(14.7)}{50 + 14.7}$ = 29.5 cu. ft. per min. = 0.492 cu. ft. per sec.

Velocity of air in 1½-in. air pipe = $\frac{0.492}{0.0123}$ = 40 ft. per sec., which is a reasonable velocity.

To find the size of the eduction pipe, add 29.5 cu. ft. of air to 38.5 cu. ft. (250 gal.) of water = 68 cu. ft. per min. = 1.333 cu. ft. per sec. At a velocity of 10 ft. per sec., the area of pipe will equal $\frac{1.333}{10}$ = 0.1333 sq. ft. = about a 5-in. pipe.

43. Power Pumps.—There are many types and styles of power pumps on the market, but the most satisfactory and efficient type for suction lifts is the single acting triplex pump. These pumps are made in almost all diameters and strokes from 1 to 12 in.

Table 30 is not trade data, but is compiled for the sizes given based on the theoretical displacement of the plungers. In actual practice there would be a slippage of 5 to 8% which would reduce the discharge by this amount. The efficiency of well designed standard makes is not far from 75%.

TABLE 30.—SIZES AND CAPACITIES OF SINGLE ACTING TRIPLEX POWER PUMPS. (SIZES BELOW 7 × 10 AT 60 R.P.M; ABOVE THIS 45 R.P.M; GALLONS PER HOUR IN BODY OF TABLE)

Diameter	Length of stroke							
	3	4	4½	5	6	8	10	12
1	110	147						
1½	248	331	372	414				
2	441	588	661	735				
2½		917	1031	1146	1225			
3		1322	1490	1653	1984			
3½		1800	2025	2250	2700			
4		2352	2648	2940	3528	4704	5,880	5,286
4½			3347	3765	4601	5950	7,440	6,700
5				4590	5508	7344	9,180	8,262
6					7920	10,560	13,200	11,899
7						14,360	13,500	16,191
8						18,750	17,620	21,180
9							22,500	26,780
10							27,580	33,080
11								39,920
12								47,620

44. Residential Pumping Plants.—The type of plant to select for residences will depend largely upon the source of water supply, and if from a well, whether a suction or deep-well pump will be required. Where electric current is available, pumps are usually operated by motor. A number of manufacturers are now making standard equipments consisting of pump, motor, automatic controller, and storage tanks. These plants can be controlled at any desired pressure between limits of 15 to 20 lb. apart. Where current is not available, gasoline engines, wind mills, or hand pumps may be used. A typical pumping plant is shown in Fig. 5. Tables 31 and 32 give trade data on typical residential pumping plants.

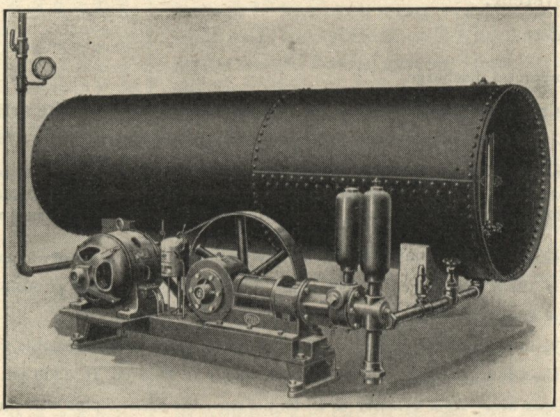


FIG. 5.

TABLE 31.—TRADE DATA OF THE PAUL TYPE "G" MOTOR DRIVEN PUMP

No. of pump	Hp. of motor	Capacity (gallons per hour)	Maximum working pressure (pounds)	Size of pipes (inches)		Space occupied (inches)			Approx. shipping weight of pump and motor (pounds)	Price—60 cycle, 110 or 220 v. motor	
				Suction	Discharge	Length	Width	Height		Without*	With†
97-K.	⅛	100	50	½	½	27	9½	23½	100	$ 76.00	$ 86.00
82-G.M.	½	360	50	1	¾	46	15	26¾	325	164.00	174.00
83-G.M.	1	720	50	1¼	1	51¾	19¾	30¾	465	275.00	286.00
84-G.M.	2	1440	50	2	1½	61¾	22¾	34¾	725	375.00	385.00

* Without automatic controller † With automatic controller.

TABLE 32.—TRADE DATA ON PUMPING UNIT, SUCTION TYPE, KEWANEE PRIVATE UTILITIES CO.

Number	Piston		Revolutions per minute	Gallons per minute	Gallons per hour	Maximum pressure (pounds)	Hp. of motor	Suction and discharge openings (inches)	Floor space (inch × inch)	Height (inches)	Rev. of motor	Shipping weight (pounds)
	Diameter (inches)	Stroke (inches)										
8-A	2	4	50	5.4	324	75–150	½	1¼–1	26×30	39	1750	400
35-A	2½	4½	54	10.4	625	90	1	1½–1¼	24×45	45	1750	700
35-D	3¼	4½	54	16.6	1000	90	2	1½–1¼	24×45	45	1750	700

45. Centrifugal or Turbine Pumps.—Centrifugal pumps are made in all sizes and for pressures within reasonable limits. They are also made with impellers to give almost any characteristics of discharge and head relationship that might be desired, and are built in one or more stages according to the head, speed, and ideas of the designer. They are most efficiently operated by electric motor directly connected to the shaft of the pump. The efficiency of these pumps varies from 45% for small quantities of discharge to 80% for large quantities of discharge against high heads.

Some of the advantages of centrifugal pumps are: low first cost, no loss of energy in transmission of power from motor to pump, quiet running, handles muddy or gritty water with less wear than displacement pumps, needs little attention, and occupies less space than other types of pumps.

Some of the disadvantages are: all air must be expelled from the pump when starting, to insure that it will pump water; the efficiency for small sizes is less than that of plunger pumps; and they are possibly shorter lived than plunger pumps.

46. Fire Pumps.—Fire pumps may be steam, rotary, centrifugal, or power pumps, and of capacities of 500, 750, 1000, and 1500 gal. per min. supplying 2, 3, 4, and 6 fire streams of 250 gal. each and capable of giving a pressure of 100 lb. per sq. in. Size of pump should be chosen to suit the conditions, but before doing so, the local authority of the Underwriter's should be consulted.

47. Fire Engines.—Standard fire engines have the same capacities as Underwriter's pumps, *i.e.*, 500, 750, 1000, and 1500 gal. per min.

48. City Water Lifts.—Where city water is available for power and it is desired to pump some other liquid, as cistern water, a "city water lift" or "water motor" may be inserted in the main supply line to the fixtures. Whenever any water is drawn by a fixture, a corresponding amount of cistern water is raised by the pump. These pumps are made in several sizes, but for illustration, one was chosen that would use 240 gal. per hr. of city water. In Table 33 are given the number of gallons of cistern water raised per hour to elevations given at the top of the table by 240 gal. per hr. under the pressures given in the right-hand column.

To find the number of gallons raised to any other height, divide factor at right-hand by the desired height. Pump efficiency = 85%.

Illustrative Problem.—How many gallons of cistern water will be raised to elevation of 80 ft. by 240 gal. of city water under 50 lb. pressure?

Under column "80 feet," Table 33, and opposite "50 lb.," read "294 gal. per hr."

TABLE 33.—CITY WATER LIFTS

Cistern water lift in feet

City pressure lb. per sq. in.)	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100	Factor
15	118	109								7,081
20	131	121	112.5							7,863
25		181	168	157	147	138.5	131	124	117	11,773
30			202	188	176.5	166	157	148.5	141	14,110
35			235	220	206	194	183	173.5	164.7	16,465
40			269	252	236	222	201	198.5	188.7	18,870
45				295	277	261	246	233	212.2	21,216
50				313	294	276	261	247	234.6	23,460
55					324	305	288.5	273	259.25	25,925
60						333	314	298	283	28,305

49. Horsepower Required to Raise Water.—The actual power required to raise water by any pump depends very largely upon the efficiency of the particular type and make of pump under consideration. Most triplex power pumps and some makes of centrifugal (turbine)

pumps give an efficiency of 75 to 80%. Single acting deep well pumps and impeller pumps give an efficiency of 35 to 60%. A well designed air lift pump should give an efficiency of 30 to 45%.

The theoretical horsepower required to raise water (assuming no losses in the pump) is most easily computed by the following formula:

$$\text{hp.} \frac{QL}{4000} \qquad \text{(Horsepower)}$$

in which Q equals gal. per min. and L equals lift in feet.

The actual horsepower required may be found by dividing the theoretical horsepower by the percentage of efficiency. Where power pumps are driven from a line shaft by belt or gears, an allowance of 5 to 10% additional power should be allowed for loss of transmission.

50. Windmills.—From Table 34 it will be seen that the only available winds are those blowing with a velocity of from 8 to 25 mi. per hr., and that a 15-mile wind can be utilized to best advantage. It is, therefore, best to "load" a windmill for a 15-mile wind. It then starts pumping in an 8-mile wind, does excellent work in a 15-mile wind, and reaches the maximum results in a 25-mile wind.

TABLE 34.—VELOCITY AND ACTION OF WINDS

Velocity per hour (miles)	Pressure per square foot (pounds)	Description of wind	Action of wind and windmills
3	0.045	Just perceptible	Windmill will not run.
5	0.125	Pleasant wind	Might start if lightly loaded.
8	0.33	Fresh breeze	Will start pumping.
10	0.5	Average wind	Pumps nicely if properly loaded.
15	1.125	Good working	Does excellent work.
20	2.0	Strong wind	Gives best service.
25	3.125	Very strong wind	Maximum results secured.
30	4.5	Gale	Should be furled out of wind.
40	8.0	Storm	Well constructed mills and towers safe if properly erected.
50	12.5	Severe storm	
60	18.0	Violent storm	Buildings, trees etc., might be injured.
80	32.0	Hurricane	Buildings, trees, etc., would be injured.
100	50.0	Tornado	Ruin.

TABLE 35.—TRADE DATA ON WIND MILLS

Diameter of wheel (feet)	Actual useful horsepower	R. p. m.	25-ft. head			50-ft. head			75-ft. head			100-ft. head			125-ft. head			150-ft. head			200-ft. head		
			C	S	Gallons	C	S	Gallons	C	S	Gallons	C	S	Gallons	C	S	Gallons	C	S	Gallons	C	S	Gallons
8½	0.08	35	3¼	4	300	2¼	4	150															
10	0.12	35	3¾	8	790	3	7	440	2¾	5	270	2¼	5	180	2	5	150	2	4	120	1¾	4	90
12	0.25	30	5¾	8	1620	4	8	792	3¼	8	518	2¾	8	370	2½	8	310	2¼	8	250	2	8	195
14	0.40	28	5	10D	2820	4	8D	1450	4¼	8	825	3¾	8	650	3½	8	550	3¼	8	480	2¾	8	350
16	0.55	25	6	10D	3670	4	10D	1620	4¾	10	1255	4½	8	825	4	8	660	3¾	8	570	3¼	8	430
18	0.75	22	8	8D	4590	5	11D	2580	5¾	11	1600	5¾	8	1200	4¾	8	810	4¼	8	660	3¾	8	500
20	1.00	20	8	12D	6264	5	14D	2850	4	14D	1825	5¾	12	1600	4¾	14	1280	4¼	14	1030	3¾	14	850
22½	1.10	18	8	14D	6500	6	12D	3200	5	12D	2200	5	10D	1800	5¾	12	1440	4¾	14	1150	4¼	14	925
25	1.25	16	10	12D	7800	8	12D	3810	6	12D	2800	5	14D	2000	5¾	15	1610	5¾	12	1300	4¾	14	1030

C = Inside diameter of cylinder. S = Length of stroke in inches.
Gallons = Gallons pumped per hour. D = Double acting pump.

Table 35 is not designed to show what windmills can do in extremely favorable cases in high winds, but it shows what windmills actually do under average conditions when properly loaded. It is based on a wind velocity of 15 mi. per hr., and shows the number of strokes per minute made by a properly loaded windmill in such a wind, and the useful horsepower developed as measured by the work performed in pumping and overcoming the friction in pump and pipe. The tendency is to overload windmills, and this should be avoided by all means. A lightly loaded windmill pumps more water in a year than one that is overloaded.

A large capacity cannot be secured by using a large cylinder unless a large windmill is used to operate it. Do not make the mistake of using a cylinder larger in diameter than shown in table.

The amount of water pumped will vary about as the square of the velocity of the wind between reasonable limits.

TABLE 36.—SUCTION LIFT AT DIFFERENT ALTITUDES

Elevation above sea level in feet	Atmospheric pressure in feet of water	Practical limit of suction
0000	33.9	25.43
1000	32.6	24.45
2000	31.4	23.55
3000	30.2	22.68
4000	29.1	21.82
5000	28.0	21.02
6000	27.0	20.26
7000	26.0	19.50
8000	25.0	18.26

STORAGE OF WATER

51. Wooden Tanks.—Wooden tanks cost only about half as much as steel tanks in the smaller sizes, and especially so where no tower is required. Some of the advantages of wooden tanks over steel tanks are:

(1) Steel tanks require skilled boiler makers to erect, thus adding materially to the cost when at a distance from the boiler shop.

(2) Wooden tanks are more readily protected from freezing.

(3) They do not sweat so much in a building as do steel tanks.

(4) They will not deteriorate as rapidly as a steel tank if neglected.

TABLE 37.—SIZES AND CAPACITIES OF WOODEN TANKS FOR FIRE PROTECTION
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Approximate net capacity (gallons)	Size (Outside dimensions)		Thickness of lumber after being planed		Hoops		Approximate price with roof
	Average diameter	Length of stave (feet)	Staves (inches)	Bottom (inches)	Number	Size (inches)	
15,000	14 ft. 6 in.	14	2¼	2¼	14	¾	$407.00
20,000	15 ft. 6 in.	16	2¼	2¼	5 11	¾ ⅞	500.00
25,000	17 ft. 6 in.	16	2¾	2¾	4 12	¾ ⅞	572.00
30,000	18 ft. 0 in.	18	2¾	2¾	4 16	¾ ⅞	654.00
40,000	19 ft. 6 in.	20	2¾	2¾	11 13	⅞ 1	822.00
50,000	22 ft. 0 in.	20	2¾	2¾	4 19	⅞ 1	925.00
60,000	24 ft. 0 in.	20	2¾	2¾	4 22	⅞ 1	
75,000	24 ft. 6 in.	24	2¾	2¾	7 24	1 1⅛	

TABLE 38.—TRADE DATA OF SMALL WOODEN STORAGE TANKS

Lenght of stave (feet)	Diameter of bottom (feet)	Number of hoops	Capacity (gallons)	Approximate wt. 2-in. pine or 1½-in. cypress	List price 2-in. pine	List price 1½-in. cypress	Approximate wt. 2-in. cypress	List price 2-in. cypress
2	4	2	117	180	$12.50	$14.00	220	$16.00
6	4	5	410	460	27.00	30.50	550	36.50
2	5	2	195	240	16.20	17.50	290	21.00
7	5	6	784	690	39.00	43.50	830	53.00
2	6	2	292	290	20.00	21.50	350	26.00
10	6	8	1710	960	62.50	68.00	1150	86.00
2	7	2	408	360	25.00	27.50	432	32.50
10	7	8	2335	1300	73.50	80.00	1565	102.00
2	8	2	543	450	29.50	32.00	549	39.00
12	8	9	3816	1700	100.00	.....	2040	136.00
2	9	2	696	645	35.00	39.00	774	46.00
12	9	9	4820	2125	114.00	.....	2550	157.00
2	10	2	870	750	41.00	45.00	900	54.50
12	10	9	5700	2465	132.00	.....	2958	180.00
2	12	2	1270	1000	54.00	.....	1200	71.00
14	12	12	10544	3200	182.00	.....	3840	238.00

The life of a wooden tank is from 12 to 30 yr. (usually 15); cypress tanks often last from 20 to 25 yr.

Specifications for Wooden Tanks.—The following are extracts from the Ass'n Fact. Mut. Fire Ins. Co.'s Inspection Department Specifications:

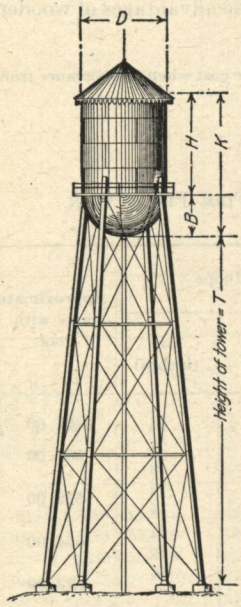


FIG. 6.

(1) Lumber.—(*a*) White cedar, cypress, white and red pine, Douglas or Washington fir (Oregon pine), British Columbia Fir or redwood must be used. Lumber must be free from rot, sap, loose or unsound knots, worm holes and shakes, and must be thoroughly air-dried.

(2) Staves and Bottom.—(*a*) Planks for staves and bottom must be planed on both sides with the outer surface of staves curved to the radius of the tank.

(*b*) The lumber must be 2½ in. dressed to about 2¼ in. for tanks not exceeding 16 ft. diameter or 16 ft. deep, and 3 in. dressed to about 2¾ in. for larger tanks.

(*c*) Splices must not be made in staves or bottom planks.

(*d*) The edges of staves and bottom planks must be machine planed or sawed.

(3) Hoops.—(*a*) The hoops must be circular in cross section and not less than ¾ in. in diameter. Not more than two sizes of hoops must be used on a tank.

(*b*) Hoops must be of wrought iron or steel without welds or upset ends. The wrought iron must conform in its chemical and physical properties to specifications A-40 of the American Society for Testing Materials.

(*c*) Hoops must be cut to proper length and bent in the shop to the radius of the tank. The sections of a hoop must be of equal length and must be securely fastened together for shipment.

(*d*) The ends of the hoop sections must be connected by malleable iron lugs and their strength must be not less than that of the hoops. The hoops must be so located on the tank that the lugs come in uniform spiral lines.

52. Steel Tanks and Towers.—The design of steel tanks and towers has become nearly standard with a number of manufacturers who make a specialty of their construction. Any of these firms will build them according to an engineer's specifications at an increased cost. Tanks with either hemispherical or elliptical bottoms can be had.

Elevated steel tanks are almost never built with flat bottoms, supported on I-beams grillage, as is standard for wooden tanks. The specifications given in Table 39 are fairly representative of tank practice. The side of the square enclosing the base of the legs is equal to $0.71D + 0.162\ (T + B)$ (see Fig. 6). The cost of these tanks and towers is about 5 to 6c. per lb. of steel erected.

The riser pipe is enclosed in a frost proof three-ply circular box of wooden staves and layers of building paper.

TABLE 39.—SIZES AND CAPACITIES OF STEEL TANKS

Capacity (thousand gallons)	Hemispherical bottom		
	D	*H*	*K*
5	8′–0″	12′–0″	16′–0″
10	10′–0″	14′–0″	19′–0″
15	12′–0″	14′–0″	20′–0″
20	12′–9″	17′–3″	23′–7″
25	14′–1″	17′–3″	24′–3″
30	15′–3″	17′–3″	24′–10″
35	16′–4″	17′–3″	25′–5″
40	17′–4″	17′–3″	25′–11″
45	18′–3″	17′–3″	26′–4″
50	19′–0″	17′–6″	27′–0″
60	19′–0″	22′–3″	31′–9″
65	20′–0″	21′–3″	31′–3″
70	21′–0″	20′–3″	30′–9″
75	22′–0″	19′–4″	30′–4″
80	22′–0″	21′–1″	32′–1″
90	22′–0″	24′–6″	35′–6″
100	22′–0″	28′–0″	39′–0″
120	24′–0″	28′–0″	40′–0″
125	24′–0″	29′–0″	41–0″
150	26′–0″	29′–3″	42′–3″
175	26′–0″	35′–0″	48′–0″
200	28′–0″	35′–0″	49′–0″
250	30′–0″	37′–0″	52′–0″
300	32′–0″	40′–0″	56′–0″
400	35′–0″	44′–0″	61′–6″
500	38′–0″	46′–6″	65′–6″

53. Concrete Tanks and Reservoirs.—Reinforced concrete is cheaper for tanks than sheet steel and more durable than either steel or wood. It is particularly adapted for reservoirs where they are all or partly underground. Concrete is especially adapted in industrial work where the tank is to contain liquors and acid solutions.

Square tanks are most economical of space (as within a building or enclosures), and in some cases in use of lumber for forms, but from the standpoint of greatest capacity for least concrete, the circular type is the most economical. Square or rectangular reservoirs of large size involve high tensile and compressive stresses such as would occur in a retaining wall or dam. The circular type is partially self-sustaining so far as external pressures are concerned and the stresses that do occur are simpler and more easily calculated.

One of the greatest difficulties with concrete tanks is to make them water-tight. A rich mixture with relatively small aggregate and thin enough to flow readily in continuous work makes the best tanks. The interior surface of the walls should be waterproofed also by plastering with cement wash or by some waterproof compound or fabric. For light pressures, ½-in. 1:1 plaster and two coats of cement wash (water and neat cement) will be about as effective as any other method of waterproofing. Except for very small tanks of dimensions less than 15 ft., the side walls should be 10 to 12 in. thick. Where covers are desired or necessary, the flat slab type supported on posts is the most economical and readily constructed.

54. Cisterns.—A cistern for the storage of rainwater, 5 ft. in diameter by 7 ft. deep, capacity 1024 gal., will be large enough for a family of 10 people if located in a climate where the annual rainfall is about 30 in. and well distributed. Larger buildings should have cisterns of about 100 gal. capacity to each person, which, for convenience, may be divided into two or more cisterns.

TABLE 40.—CAPACITIES OF TANKS OR CISTERNS IN GALLONS

Length or depth (feet)	Diameter (inches)									
	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72
2	26	47	73	105	144	188	238	294	356	424
2½	33	59	90	131	180	235	298	367	445	530
3	40	71	109	157	216	282	357	440	534	636
3½	47	83	127	183	252	329	416	513	623	742
4	54	95	145	209	288	376	475	586	712	848
4½	61	107	163	235	324	423	534	659	801	954
5	68	119	180	261	360	470	593	732	890	1060
5½	75	131	200	287	396	517	652	805	979	1166
6	82	143	217	313	432	564	711	878	1068	1272
6½	89	155	235	339	468	611	770	951	1157	1378
7	96	167	253	365	504	658	829	1024	1246	1484
7½	103	179	271	391	540	705	888	1097	1335	1590
8	110	191	289	417	576	752	947	1170	1424	1696
8½		203	307	443	612	799	1006	1243	1513	1802
10		239	361	521	720	940	1183	1462	1780	2120
12		287	433	625	864	1128	1419	1754	2136	2544
14					1008	1316	1655	2046	2492	2968
16					1152	1504	1891	2338	2848	3392
18							2127	2630	3204	3816
20							2363	2922	3560	4240

55. Pneumatic Tanks.—Pneumatic tanks are always made of steel or wrought iron as they must be absolutely air tight. Tanks are usually made especially for this purpose, but there is no good reason why any tight tank or boiler could not be used for the purpose if sufficiently strong to stand the pressure.

TABLE 41.—TRADE DATA ON PNEUMATIC TANKS

Diameter (inches)	Length (feet)	Thickness			Approx. shipping weight (pounds)	Total capacity (gallons)	Working capacity (gallons)	List price black
		Shell (inches)	Convex head (inches)	Concave head (inches)				
24	5	3/16	1/4	1/4	375	120	80	$ 31.00
24	10	3/16	1/4	1/4	645	235	156⅔	45.00
30	5	3/16	1/4	5/16	500	180	120	37.00
30	12	3/16	1/4	5/16	960	440	293⅓	67.00
36	5	3/16	1/4	3/8	653	265	176⅔	48.00
36	14	3/16	1/4	3/8	1365	740	493⅓	87.00
42	8	1/4	5/16	7/16	1425	575	383⅓	76.00
42	16	1/4	5/16	7/16	2350	1150	766⅔	135.00
48	10	1/4	5/16	7/16	1900	1000	666⅔	124.00
48	24	1/4	5/16	7/16	4000	2260	1506⅔	227.00
60	12	1/4	3/8	3/8	3000	1760	1163⅓	203.00
60	40	1/4	3/8	3/8	8400	5875	3249⅓	517.00
72	12	9/32	7/16	7/16	4140	2535	1690	262.00
72	40	9/32	7/16	7/16	10720	8460	5640	642.00

Formulas and Illustrative Problems for Pneumatic Tanks.—To find the pressure in a pneumatic tank when supplied with initial air pressure and then filled to any portion with water:

$$P_d = \frac{P_a + P_i}{1.00 - F} - P_a \qquad \text{(lb. per sq. in.)}$$

Illustrative Problem.—A tank has been filled with air to an initial air pressure of 10 lb. and is then filled one-fourth with water. What is the air pressure on the tank? Here $P_i = 10$ lb., $F = 0.25$, $1.00 - F = 0.75$.

$$\frac{15 + 10}{0.75} - 15 = 18.33 \text{ lb. per sq. in.} = P_d$$

Given a tank partly filled with water under pressure to find the remaining pressure when a given volume of water is drawn:

$$P_o = \frac{1.00 - F\,(P + P_a)}{(1.00 + f - F)} - P_a \qquad \text{(lb. per sq. in.)}$$

Illustrative Problem.—A tank is three-fourths filled with water under 45 lb. air pressure. What is the remaining pressure when one-fourth the volume of the tank is drawn? $P = 45$ lb., $F = 0.75$, $f = 0.25$.

$$P_o = \frac{(1.00 - 0.75)(45 + 15)}{1.00 + 0.25 - 0.75} - 15 = 15 \text{ lb. per sq. in.}$$

Given a tank partly filled with water under a given pressure to find the volume of water that may be drawn for a given drop in pressure.

$$f = \frac{P_1\,(1.00 - F)}{P + P_a - P_1} \qquad \text{(percent of volume)}$$

Illustrative Problem.—A tank three-fourths filled with water is under a pressure of 45 lb. What percentage of water may be drawn for a drop in pressure of 30 lb.? $P = 45$ lb., $P_1 = 30$ lb.

$$f = \frac{30(1.00 - 0.75)}{45 + 15 - 30} = \frac{7.5}{30} = 25\,\%$$

The above formulas and illustrative problems are general and apply to any tank filled to any percent of its volume, whereas the following illustrative problems apply to tanks ⅔ full of water.

Illustrative Problem.—A 630-gal. tank, 36 in. × 12 ft., is ⅔ full of water under a pressure of 60 lb. How much water can be drawn lowering pressure to 20 lb.?

Between 60 and 20 lb., Table 42 gives 38%. Therefore, $0.38 \times 630 = 239$ gal. can be drawn.

Illustrative Problem.—What size tank must be used to deliver 500 gal. of water from storage when ⅔ full, under 80 lb. pressure, if lowest water pressure must be 30 lb.?

Between 80 and 30 lb., Table 42 gives 37%. Tank must therefore be $500 \div 0.37 = 1350$ gal. capacity, or about 48 in. × 14 ft.

Illustrative Problem.—A 720-gal. tank 42-in. × 10 ft. is ⅔ full of water under a pressure of 50 lb. What is the water pressure after 150 gal. have been drawn?

150 gal. = 21% of tank capacity. Corresponding to 50 lb. initial pressure and 21% working capacity, Table 42 gives final water pressure of 25 lb.

Note: If tank is only one-half full of water, working capacity is increased 50%.

Notation for Formulas for Pneumatic Tanks

P_a = atmospheric pressure of air in lb. per sq. in., usually taken at 15 lb.
P_i = initial air pressure in lb. per sq. in. above P_a, put in tank before water enters.
P_d = desired pressure after tank is filled with air to P_i lb., then partly filled with water.
P = air pressure in tank before water is drawn.

TABLE 42.—WORKING CAPACITY OF PNEUMATIC TANKS IN PERCENTAGE OF FULL VOLUME WHEN TWO-THIRDS FULL OF WATER. BETWEEN INITIAL AND FINAL PRESSURES INDICATED

Final pressure, pounds gage	Initial pressure—pounds gage									
	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100
5	8	25	41	58						
10	0	13	26	40	53	66				
15		5	16	28	39	50	61			
20		0	9	19	29	38	48	57		
25			6	12	21	29	37	46	54	62
30			0	7	15	22	30	37	44	52
35				3	10	17	23	30	37	43
40				0	6	12	18	24	30	36
45					3	8	14	19	25	30
50					0	5	10	15	20	25

TABLE 43.—SHOWING PRESSURE IN PNEUMATIC TANKS WHEN FILLED WITH VARIOUS QUANTITIES OF WATER

Amount of water pumped into tank	Pressure (pound per square inch) no initial pressure	Pressure (pound per square inch) with 10 lb. initial air pressure
¼ full of water	5	18
⅜ full of water	10	26
½ full of water	15	34
⅝ full of water	22	47
⅔ full of water	29	58
¾ full of water	45	83

P_0 = air pressure in tank after water is drawn.

P_1 = loss in pressure due to drawing any percent of volume of tank.

F = portion of volume of tank filled with water.

f = amount of water drawn from tank in percent of its volume.

56. Heat Required to Free Tanks from Ice.—It requires from 2½ to 3 heat units per square foot of exposed surface per degree difference in temperature per hour to keep an exposed steel tank free from ice.

Illustrative Problem.—What is the total quantity of heat required to free a tank 10 ft. high by 20 ft. in diameter for 24 hr. from ice, when the temperature of air is 10 deg. F.

Surface of tank $= \frac{2\pi 20^2}{4} + (\pi 20)(10) = 1256.6$ sq. ft.

Heat units $= 3(32 + 10)(24)(1256.6) = 3{,}799{,}958$. At 9000 heat units per pound of coal it would require $3{,}799{,}958 \div 9000 = 422.2$ lb. of coal.

It is thus seen that it is not at all economical to attempt to keep large tanks from freezing by heating. It is more economical to protect them either by housing, or by circulating water of a higher temperature than that from a well, than it is to let the tank stand full exposed to the cold and attempt to heat it.

If the above tank were filled with water each 24 hr. at a temperature of 44 deg. F., the amount of heat energy brought to the tank by the water would be equal to 23,500 (gallons) × 8⅓ × 12 = 2,350,000 heat units, or slightly over ½ that required to heat the tank if allowed to stand full of water without changing daily. Where the tank is supported on an inclosed structure and the top weatherproofed with deck floor and roof, the exposed surface is naturally cut down and therefore less heat is required. Elevated steel tanks usually freeze first at the connection with the riser pipe.

PIPES AND FITTINGS

57. Cast-iron Pipe.—Cast-iron pipe is now manufactured in standard diameters and weights, as class "*A*," "*B*," and "*C*," Table 44. These are in accord with the standard specifications

TABLE 44.—DIMENSIONS AND WEIGHTS OF AMERICAN WATERWORKS STANDARD CAST-IRON PIPE

Class "*A*" 100-ft. head 43-lb. pressure				Class "*B*" 200-ft. head 86-lb. pressure			Class "*C*" 300-ft. head 130-lb. pressure		
Nominal inside diameter (inches)	Thickness (inches)	Weight per		Thickness (inches)	Weight per		Thickness (inches)	Weight per	
		Foot (pounds)	Length (pounds)		Foot (pounds)	Length (pounds)		Foot (pounds)	Length (pounds)
4	0.42	20.0	240	0.45	21.7	260	0.48	23.3	280
6	0.44	30.8	370	0.48	33.3	400	0.51	35.8	430
8	0.46	42.9	515	0.51	47.5	570	0.56	52.1	625
10	0.50	57.1	685	0.57	63.8	765	0.62	70.8	850
12	0.54	72.5	870	0.62	82.1	985	0.68	91.7	1100

of the American Waterworks Association. In specifying cast-iron pipe it will only be necessary to state size and class desired.

58. Wrought-iron Pipe.—Wrought-iron pipe, unless otherwise specified, will be "Merchant" steel pipe, black. If strictly wrought-iron pipe is desired, specify *strictly wrought-iron pipe* or *"Buyers" wrought-iron pipe.*

Merchant pipe is much harder to cut or thread and is much shorter lived than strictly wrought-iron pipe. On the other hand, the latter is much higher in price and more difficult to obtain.

The steel pipe is about 2% heavier than wrought-iron pipe for the same thickness. Both qualities of pipe are manufactured in *standar* and *extra heavy weights.*

TABLE 45.—DIMENSIONS AND WEIGHTS OF STANDARD WROUGHT-IRON PIPE AND COUPLINGS

Standard wrought-iron pipe			Couplings		
Size	Weight per foot (pounds)	Thickness (inches)	Diameter	Length	Weight
¼	0.84	0.109	½	1 5/16	0.124
1	1.67	0.133	1	1 13/16	0.455
1¼	2.68	0.145	1¼	2⅜	0.800
2	3.61	0.154	2	2⅝	1.250
2½	5.74	0.203	2½	2⅞	1.757
3	7.54	0.216	3	3⅛	2.625
3½	9.00	0.226	3½	3⅝	4.000
4	10.66	0.237	4	3⅝	4.125
4½	12.34	0.246	4½	3⅝	4.875
5	14.50	0.259	5	4⅛	8.437
6	18.76	0.280	6	4⅛	10.625
7	23.27	0.301	7	4⅛	11.270
8	28.18	0.322	8	4⅛	15.150
9	33.70	0.354	9	5⅛	17.820
10	40.06	0.366	10	6⅛	27.700

59. Wood Stave Pipe.—Wood stave pipe is made in two ways—continuous stave pipe made in the trench, and machine banded pipe, factory made. Continuous stave pipe is used almost exclusively in the Western States where the climatic conditions are suitable and where

TABLE 46.—TRADE DATA ON MACHINE BANDED WOOD STAVE PIPE

Size of pipe	Weight per linear foot	Number of feet in carload	Men required to lay pipe	Number of feet can be laid in 10 hours	Wood stave pipe	Cast iron
					Comparative cost of laying pipe per foot not including trenching and back filling	
6	11.5	2600	6	2500	0.01	0.14
8	14.6	2100	6	2500	0.02	0.17
10	18.6	1700	6	2000	0.03	0.20
12	20.8	1500	6	2000	0.03	0.23
14	25.5	1200	6	2000	0.04	0.26
16	28.6	1000	6	1500	0.04	0.36
18	31.7	850	6	1500	0.04	0.40
20	36.5	650	6	1000	0.05	0.50
24	45.6	500	8	1000	0.06	0.62
30	57.3	300	8	1000	0.07	0.75
36	76.8	200	8	800	0.08	1.05
48	103.0	150	8	600	0.10	1.29

suitable timber may be had. This pipe in several instances has proven a failure due to soil conditions, character of wood, workmanship, etc.; therefore, before it is used, a careful investigation should be made to determine if it will prove satisfactory. Machine banded wood stave pipe is made in lengths up to 12 ft., staves being machined on the sides to correct bevel to suit size. These staves are also provided with double tongues and grooves, and the outside is formed to diameter of pipe. The staves are held in place by galvanized steel bands or wire spirally wound from end to end. The outside of the pipe and steel bands are protected by a double coat of asphaltum and sawdust.

TABLE 47.—WEIGHT PER FOOT OF LEAD SERVICE PIPE IN POUNDS AND OUNCES

Extra strong

Size of Pipe in Inches										
⅜	½	⅝	¾	1	1¼	1½	2	2½	3	3½	4
2–0	2–8	3–0	3–8	4–12	6–0	7–8	9–0	14–0	16–0	18–0	21–0

The joints are made on the mortise and tenon principle, and are driven together by heavy ram or hammer while in the trench. This pipe does not have to be laid perfectly straight, but can be slightly curved in any direction. Connections can be made to it by cast-iron fittings with hubs turned to fit the spigot of the wood stave pipe. The carrying capacity of this pipe is about 14% greater than cast-iron pipe.

Wood stave pipe gives good satisfaction where first-class materials and workmanship are had, but it should not be used where it will not always be kept wet; where frost will heave it continuously; or where there is considerable air entrained with the water. It is made to stand pressures up to 100 lb. per sq. in. if satisfactorily machine banded.

60. Cost of Laying Pipe.—The data in Tables 48 and 49 were compiled from table given in *Engineering and Contracting*, Vol. 51, pp. 37 and 38. The data were obtained ont he laying of gas pipe, but it would apply equally as well for water pipe. These prices should not be applied to rock, hardpan, or quicksand excavation, but only to cases which might be considered as *average* excavation. For depths greater than 6 ft., the cost of excavating increases more nearly with the square of the depth than directly with it.

TABLE 48.—COST OF TRENCHING, LAYING, JOINTING AND BACKFILLING CAST-IRON PIPE

Size of pipe	Cost of trenching 100 ft. @ 0.01 per man hour 1 ft. deep	Cost of bell holes on 100 ft. @ 0.01 per man hour (pounds)	Weight of pipe per foot	Feet of pipe laid per man hour	Cost of laying 100 ft. @ 0.01 per man hour	Weight of lead per joint (pounds)	Weight of yarn per joint (pounds)	Joints made per man hour	Cost jointing 100-ft. pipe @ 0.01 per man hour	Cost of pipe per 100 ft. @ $1.00 per ton	Cost of lead per 100 ft. of pipe @ 0.01 per pound	Cost of yarn per 100 ft. of pipe @ 0.01 per pound	Cost of drayage per 100 ft. @ $1.00 per ton mile
4	$0.184	$0.045	19.33	21.98	$0.0455	6	0.37	6.25	$0.0405	$0.966	$0.50	$0.0308	$0.966
6	0.203	0.051	30.25	14.05	0.0711	9	0.47	4.16	0.0601	1.512	0.75	0.0391	1.512
8	0.222	0.057	42.08	10.09	0.0991	12	0.56	3.12	0.0801	2.104	1.00	0.0466	2.104
10	0.239	0.060	55.91	7.60	0.1316	16	0.65	2.34	0.1068	2.796	1.33	0.0541	2.796
12	0.277	0.066	73.83	5.75	0.1739	22	0.75	1.70	0.1470	3.691	1.83	0.0625	3.691
16	0.333	0.078	112.58	3.77	0.2652	36	1.06	1.03	0.2427	5.630	3.00	0.0883	5.630
20	0.369	0.087	153.83	2.76	0.3623	50	1.34	1.25	0.3333	7.777	4.16	0.1116	7.777
24	0.406	0.096	206.41	2.06	0.4854	62	1.60	1.04	0.4006	10.320	5.16	0.1333	10.320
30	0.461	0.111	284.00	1.49	0.6711	75	2.00	0.83	0.5020	14.204	6.25	0.1666	14.204

To use cost prices for trenching and backfilling, multiply cost by depth of trench and by local cost of labor per man hour. For other labor costs, multiply by man hour price for that class. For material, multiply by cost pounds or ton as specified.

TABLE 49.—COST OF TRENCHING, LAYING, JOINTING AND BACKFILLING FOR WROUGHT AND STEEL PIPE

Size of pipe	Weight of pipe per foot in pounds	Feet of pipe laid per man hour	Cost of laying 100 ft. at 0.01 per man hour	Width of trench (inches)	Cost of excavation and backfilling 100 ft. pipe 1 ft. deep at 0.01 per man hour	Cost jointing per 100 ft. pipe per man hour	Cost for drayage for 100 ft. pipe at $1.00 per ton mile
1¼	2.28	104.2	$0.0096	18	$0.166	$0.0111	$0.114
1½	2.73	86.6	0.0116	18	0.166	0.0125	0.136
2	3.68	65.0	0.0154	18	0.166	0.0166	0.184
3	7.62	36.6	0.0273	18	0.166	0.0250	0.381
4	10.89	26.6	0.0376	20	0.184	0.0333	0.544
5	19.19	15.8	0.0633	22	0.203	0.0500	0.959
6	28.81	10.5	0.0952	24	0.222	0.0750	1.440

Apply same multiplier as for cast-iron pipe. No bell holes are allowed for here.

61. Concrete Pipe.—Concrete pipe is manufactured, but not extensively, in sizes from 4 to 120-in. diameter. In some localities the small sizes are in competition with vitrified pipe for sanitary sewers, but its principal use is in the larger sizes (from 36 to 120 in.) for storm sewers and culverts. These sizes are usually made on the site of the work, but can be shipped readily where necessary. Railroad companies often make them in one or two yards and ship to points on the system for culvert use.

TABLE 50.—TRADE INFORMATION ON REINFORCED CONCRETE PIPE IN 4-FT. LENGTHS

Size (inches)	Thickness (inches)	Steel (pounds per square) foot)	Cross sectional area of steel (square inches per foot of shell)	Weight of pipe per foot
24	2½– 3	0.30	0.058	264
27	3 – 3½	0.30	0.068	350
30	3½	0.40	0.080	384
33	4	0.50	0.107	485
36	4	0.60	0.146	524
39	4¼	0.60	0.146	580
42	4½	0.60	0.153	686
48	5	0.80	0.107	866
54	5½	0.80	0.126	1070
60	6½	0.90	0.146	1295
72	7	1.00	0.180	1810
78	8	1.30		2250
84	8	1.30	0.208	2409
90	8½	2.12		2550
96	8½	2.60	0.245	2650
102	9	3.02		
108	9			2900
114	9½			
120	10			

In sizes from 24 to 42 in., 1 ring of steel is used.
In sizes from 48 to 120 in., 2 rings of steel are used.

The carrying capacity of these pipes of large diameter is slightly greater than for vitrified pipe of the same diameter. The cost will depend upon the availability of the materials at the desired location.

The head carried on concrete pipe should not exceed from 100 to 125 ft. and leakage due to this pressure in properly constructed pipe should not be greater than in pipe made of other materials. The coefficient of discharge is higher than that for steel pipe.

62. Standard Flange Fittings.—In Table 51 are given the specifications for "American Standard" flanged fittings for wrought-iron and steel pipe. Dimensions apply to low pressure and standard fittings not extra heavy.

Notes on the American Standard.—The following notes apply to the American Standard for flanges and flanged fittings.

(*a*) Standard reducing elbows carry the same dimensions center to face as regular elbows of largest straight size.

Standard tees, crosses, and laterals, reducing on run only, carry same dimensions face to face as largest straight size.

Standard weight fittings are guaranteed for 125-lb. working pressure and extra heavy fittings for 250 lb.

The size of all fittings scheduled, indicates the inside diameter of parts.

The face-to-face dimensions of reducers, either straight or eccentric for all pressures, is the same as that given in table of dimensions.

Twin elbows, whether straight or reducing, carry same dimensions center to face and face to face as regular straight-size ells and tees.

Side outlet elbow and side outlet tees, whether straight or reducing sizes, carry same dimensions center to face and face to face as regular tees having same reductions.

(*b*) Bull-head tees, or tees increasing on outlet, have same dimensions center to face and face to face, as a straight fitting of the size of the outlet.

(*d*) For fittings reducing on the run only, always use the long-body pattern. Y's are special and are made to suit conditions.

TABLE 51.—STANDARD FLANGE FITTINGS

Size in 1 inch to 12 inches	Diameter flanges	Thickness flanges	Diameter bolt circle	Number of bolts	Face to face. Tees and crosses	Center to face. Ells, tees and crosses	Center to face. 45° elbow s
1	4	7/16	3	4	7	3½	1¾
1¼	4½	½	3⅜	4	7½	3¾	2
1½	5	9/16	3⅞	4	8	4	2¼
2	6	⅝	4¾	4	9	4½	2½
2½	7	11/16	5½	4	10	5	3
3	7½	¾	6	4	11	5½	3
3½	8½	13/16	7	4	12	6	3½
4	9	15/16	7½	8	13	6½	4
4½	9¼	15/16	7¾	8	14	7	4
5	10	15/16	8½	8	15	7½	4½
6	11	1	9½	8	16	8	5
7	12½	1 1/16	10¾	8	17	8½	5½
8	13½	1⅛	11¾	8	18	9	5½
9	15	1⅛	13¼	12	20	10	6
10	16	1 3/16	14¼	12	22	11	6½
12	19	1¼	17	12	24	12	7½

63. Standard Screwed Fittings.—The center to end dimensions of ells, tees, and crosses for same size of opening are alike. The dimensions of ells, tees, and crosses for malleable and cast iron from ¼ to 4 in., are practically identical. In Table 52, dimensions and weights are for malleable fittings from ¼ to 4 in. and for cast iron from 4 to 8 in.

TABLE 52.—SCREWED FITTINGS
Weights in pounds per 100

Size ¼ in. to 4 in. Mal. 4 in. to 8 in. C.I.	End to end. Tees and crosses	Center to end. Tees, ells and crosses	Center to end. 45° ells	Ells	45° ells	Tees	Crosses
¼	1⅝	1 3/16	¾	13	11	14	
⅜	1⅞	1 5/16	1 3/16	17	14	23	21
½	2¼	1⅛	⅞	27	21	35	42
¾	2⅝	1 5/16	1	39	32	55	54
1	2⅞	1 7/16	1 ⅛	60	50	80	96
1¼	3½	1 ¾	1 5/16	105	80	136	152
1½	3⅞	1 15/16	1 7/16	131	111	183	197
2	4½	2 ¼	1 11/16	232	197	285	340
2½	5⅜	2 11/16	1 15/16	420	350	428	575
3	6¼	3 ⅛	2 3/16	637	483	742	960
3½	6⅞	3 7/16	2 ⅜	940	665	1000	1040
4	7½	3 ¾	2 5/8	1100	775	1200	1550
4½	8⅛	4 1/16	2 13/16	1600	1450	2330	2700
5	8⅞	4 7/16	3 1/16	2100	1650	2620	3000
6	10¼	5 ⅛	3 7/16	3000	2500	4000	4300
7	11⅝	5 13/16	3 ⅞	4400	3500	5500	6600
8	13	6½	4 ¼	5500	4600	7900	8300

SECTION 3

SEWAGE DISPOSAL

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It is not intended in this section to give a complete treatise on this subject. For full up-to-date information the reader is referred to standard works on sewage disposal, such as American Sewage Practice by Metcalf and Eddy, Sewage Disposal by Fuller, or Sewage Disposal by Kennicutt, Winslow and Pratt. The descriptions of the processes herein given are intended to convey only a general notion of the principles under which the processes will work. The designer of an isolated plant will then have a reasonably good idea of what he can expect, if he attempts to do certain things with sewage.

COLLECTION AND FLOW OF SEWAGE

1. Size of Sewers.—The size of a sewer should not be based upon the average flow anticipated, but upon the maximum rate of flow that can reasonably be expected to take place daily. It can be inferred that the flow of sewage would follow quite closely the consumption of water and would reach a maximum of about 175% of the mean flow (see Fig. 2, p. 1190). It is quite a common rule to assume that the maximum will be twice the minimum so that if the sewer is designed to flow half full with mean flow, it will be large enough for maximum flows.

If it is expected that an increase in the discharge of sewage will take place in the near future, due to additional building or increase in the industrial waste, it would be advisable to design the sewers for three times the mean flow. Table 1 has been prepared on such an assumption.

For other grades than those given, the capacity is proportional to the square root of the slope. The population served by a given sewer would be inversely proportional to the amount of sewage contributed to the sewer by that population, as compared with the figures given in the table.

Table 1.—Population That Can Be Served by Sewers with Various Grades

Based on a consumption of 100 gallons per capita per day. Sewers assumed running one-third full. $n = 0.013$

Size sewer (inches)	Fall of sewer in feet per 100 feet								
	0.5	0.4	0.33	0.25	0.20	0.167	0.125	0.10	0.083
6	1,060	930	850	690	530				
8	2,160	1,945	1,730	1,405	1,200	1,000	860	720	
10	3,780	3,460	3,070	2,640	2,130	2,260	1,940	1,470	
12	5,340	4,970	4,540	4,140	3,600	3,240	2,850	2,550	2,370
15	9,360	8,360	7,560	6,560	6,000	5,400	4,400	4,240	3,880
18	15,500	13,850	12,600	11,000	9,940	8,930	7,540	7,000	6,230
20	19,250	18,200	16,750	14,400	13,250	11,700	10,150	9,340	8,320
24	33,800	30,500	27,700	24,000	21,800	18,800	16,920	15,400	13,700

2. Materials Used for Sewers.—The universal material used for sewers is vitrified clay pipe. Sewers 30 in. diameter and larger are often built of brick, reinforced concrete, cast iron, or wrought iron. Sometimes wood stave pipe is used where soils will not support vitrified pipe

satisfactorily, where the sewer is under pressure, or where leakage would pollute a water supply. Vitrified pipe in lengths of 2, 2½, and 3 ft. can be purchased in sizes from 4 to 30 in. (advancing by 2 in. to 12 in. and thereafter by 3 in.). 2- and 2½-ft. lengths are most common.

3. Limiting Grades.—The minimum grade of a sewer is fixed by the velocity at which it will be self-cleansing, usually assumed at 2 to 3 ft. per second; greasy wastes would require greater velocities. Flushing is the only safe way to be sure of a clean and sanitary sewer. For small lateral sewers a grade of 1 ft. in 200 ft. is very satisfactory but where conditions will not permit, a grade of 1 ft. in 400 ft. is permissible. Sewers 24 to 30 in. in diameter with a flow of sewage sufficient to fill them one-half or more full, are often laid on a grade of 1 in 1000 or 1 in 1200 ft.

4. Workmanship.—The construction of sewers is more likely to be neglected than any other part of a building contract. "Out of sight, out of mind" is often too true. It is highly important that the sewer should be laid to a straight line and grade, with joints even and well filled with a hemp gasket and cement mortar. Stoppages in sewers are often caused by poor workmanship in the laying. The capacity can also be materially cut down by a crooked rough sewer.

5. Details.—The appurtenances of a common ordinary sewer are manholes, lampholes, and flush tanks. No sewer should be constructed, no matter how short, that does not have at least one manhole on it. On longer sewers they should be spaced 300 to 500 ft. apart depending on local conditions, size of sewers, character of sewage, and funds available for the work.

A manhole to be serviceable should be 3 to 4 ft. in diameter and extend from sewer to surface of the ground or street and be provided with an iron or concrete cover, readily removable. They can be constructed of brick, concrete, or cement blocks. The invert of the sewer should be continued through the manhole just the same as in the sewer, only the top half of the pipe should be cut away to allow for inspection and cleaning.

Lampholes are not used as much as formerly. They are for the purpose of flushing the end of a sewer with a hose, or to permit the lowering of a light in case of obstruction. They are made of sewer pipe and have an iron cover.

Flush tanks are not likely to be needed on sewers for a single building, but should be included where the system is extensive or has very flat grades. These tanks should be located so as to flush the greatest lengths of sewers on the flattest grades. A flush tank is usually a small reservoir or cistern provided with an automatic syphon for the discharge from the tank and an orifice for control of the water used for flushing. The water is usually obtained from the city water mains, but may be obtained from a private source of supply as the case may demand.

6. Variations of Flow.—The variations in the volume of sewage discharged from any building or industry will follow quite closely the hourly variations in the consumption of water. The curves shown in Fig. 2, p. 1190, will therefore fairly represent the relative (not absolute) volume of flow of sewage from one hour of the day to another. Where large quantities of ground water enter the sewer through the joints or otherwise, or where large volumes of cooling or wash water are constantly turned into the sewer, the relative variation will be very much smaller.

7. Cost.—There are many factors that affect the cost of sewers, such as the nature and condition of the soil, price of labor and materials, diameter of pipe, and depth of trench. Table

TABLE 2.—FOR ESTIMATING COST OF VITRIFIED PIPE SEWERS

Size of pipe (inches)	Depth of trench in feet												
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	16	18	20
6	0.40	0.45	0.50	0.58	0.65	0.75	0.85	0.98	1.08	1.35	1.68	2.03	2.43
8	0.53	0.58	0.63	0.70	0.80	0.88	1.00	1.10	1.23	1.53	1.85	2.23	2.65
10	0.65	0.73	0.78	0.85	0.95	1.05	1.15	1.28	1.40	1.70	2.13	2.45	2.90
12	0.83	0.88	0.95	1.03	1.13	1.23	1.33	1.45	1.60	1.93	2.28	2.70	3.18
15	1.10	1.15	1.23	1.30	1.40	1.53	1.65	1.78	1.93	2.28	2.68	3.13	3.63
18	1.40	1.45	1.53	1.63	1.73	1.85	2.00	2.15	2.30	2.68	3.10	3.60	4.15
20	1.63	1.70	1.78	1.88	2.00	2.13	2.25	2.43	2.60	3.00	3.45	3.95	4.55

2 has been prepared from the bids on many sewers. These bids were compiled during a period of 20 yr. and represent average conditions. The prices have been advanced to cover the approximate recent (1918) rise in prices. They should be used only as a guide and should be increased where the local conditions are unfavorable to average working conditions. The table does not cover rock excavation or quicksand digging.

COMPOSITION OF SEWAGE

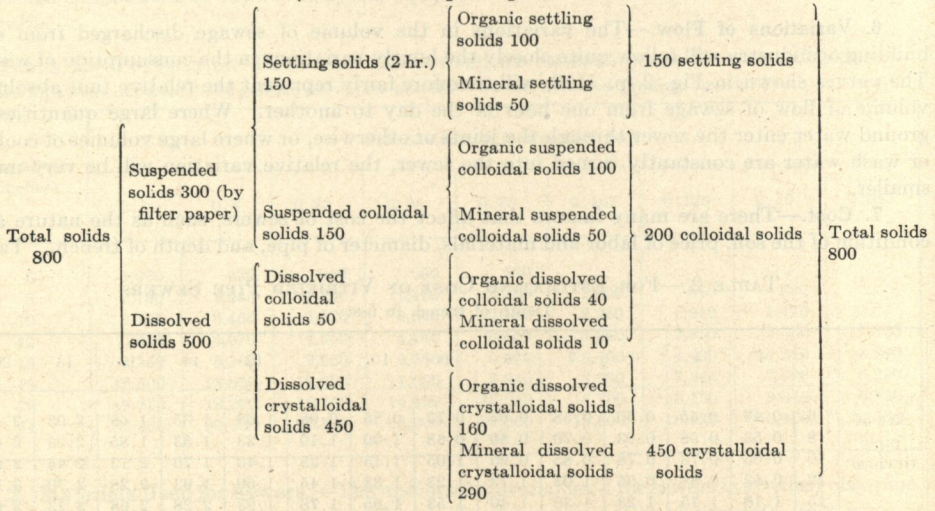
8. General Characteristics.—Sewage has been defined as a combination of the liquid waste conducted away from residences, public and business buildings, and industrial establishments. A briefer definition would be, "The wastes of human habitation." It possesses three general characteristics as suggested by Prof. E. B. Phelps: the physical property of "concentration," the chemical property of "composition," and the biological property of "condition." A sewage containing a large proportion of sewage matter as compared to the water of a given sewage, is strong or concentrated, while one having the reverse of these conditions is a weak or dilute sewage.

A concentrated sewage means that a greater quantity of sludge will be produced which must be cared for, and it also means that the solids will settle out quicker than in a dilute sewage.

The particular process to adopt for the treatment of a given sewage depends more upon the composition of the sewage matter than upon the concentration or condition. When a sewage is in a "fresh" condition it lends itself more readily to oxidizing processes, whereas a stale sewage or one that has traveled a long ways in pipes or stood in receiving basins, lends itself more readily to septic action.

9. Total Solids.—A weak or dilute sewage contains about 200 parts of solids to each million parts of sewage; a medium or average sewage, about 800 parts; and a strong sewage about 1600 parts per million. The total solids in sewage are divided physically into suspended and dissolved matters, and chemically into organic and mineral matters. The subdivision of the total solids of a typical American sewage are shown in the accompanying diagram.

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF PRINCIPAL CONSTITUENTS OF SEWAGE OF MEDIUM STRENGTH
(Numbers are parts per million)



10. Organic Matter.—The organic matter in a typical sewage is divided approximately as follows:

- Organic matter 400
  - Nitrogenous 150
    - Nitrogen 15
    - Carbon 75
    - Hydro. oxygen
    - Sulphur phosphate 60.
  - Non-nitrogenous 250
    - Fats 50
      - Carbon 35
      - Hydrogen } 15
      - Oxygen }
    - Carbohydrates 200
      - Carbon 90
      - Hydrogen } 110
      - Oxygen }

Organic matter is of vegetable and animal origin. It is the part of the solids in sewage in which we are particularly interested from a sanitary standpoint. Nitrogenous matter, consisting principally of urea and proteids, is generally considered as the substance that is the least stable and most likely to break down and cause a nuisance. Offensive gases are usually of a sulphurous origin.

11. Mineral Matter.—Mineral matter consists principally of calcium and magnesium carbonates and sulphates. Where the water supply used in producing the sewage is highly mineralized, the sewage is likely to be mineralized also. Industrial wastes often contain mineral matters that affect the mineral constituents of sewage. These matters in themselves are not objectionable from a sanitary standpoint, but often if in large quantities and combinations, they interfere with the processes of purification.

12. Suspended and Settling Solids.—All solids in sewage which are floating, suspended by virtue of the velocity of the liquid, and those that are in a colloidal state, are defined as suspended matter. Settling solids are those that will settle out of solution in 2 to 4 hr. after quiescence begins. It is important in the treatment of industrial wastes to remove as large a percentage of settling solids as possible. The higher the total suspended matter present, especially if it be of a coarse material, the greater will be the percentage of the settling solids removed. Colloids are difficult to remove by settling. They are in a semi-soluble state. Some matters of a fatty or soapy nature will not settle out although they remain in a strictly suspended condition.

13. Putrifaction.—Organic matter contained in sewage soon begins to putrify due to a lack of oxygen. Where oxygen is present or can be supplied in sufficient quantities, the reduction of this material goes on in an aerobic condition, but where sufficient oxygen is lacking, the reduction goes on in an anaerobic condition. An effluent from a sewage disposal plant that is not putrescible is said to be stable. One of the most common and reliable tests for this is the methylene blue test.

14. Bacterial Action on Organic Matter.—There are two separate and well defined processes of bacterial action that take place in sewage. When sewage first reaches the public sewers it is "fresh" and contains free oxygen so that *aerobic* bacteria thrive. These bacteria grow and multiply only in the presence of oxygen. After sewage has traveled a long distance in sewers or has stood quiescent in a tank for somtime, the sewage becomes stale or septic when *anaerobic* bacteria, those that grow in the absence of oxygen, come into evidence as the chief factor in the reduction of the organic matter.

The processes are diametrically opposite and opposed to each other. The aerobic or oxidation process is accompanied with little or no odor while the opposite is very true of the anaerobic or septic process.

Unless oxygen is supplied in sufficient quantities and quick enough, the sewage will invariably pass into the septic state from which it is difficult to again restore it to an oxidized condition.

For small plants it is difficult to prevent some septization from taking place without an unwarranted expense for installation and operation. In fact, it is usual in most plants to allow the sewage to get into a more or less septic state before attempting to apply methods of oxidation. Some of the more recently designed tanks and processes are planned to completely, or at least to a very large extent, prevent septic action. Such processes are particularly desirable to use where a high degree of purity is necessary.

PROCESSES OF PURIFICATION

15. Dilution.—No hard and fast rule can be laid down by which it may be determined that sewage disposal by dilution will be satisfactory and not cause a nuisance. Some authorities have used the rule that if there were 5 cu. ft. of water flowing per second in the stream per thousand population tributary to the sewer, a nuisance would not be created. The rule will not hold good in most instances.

The changes that take place in the dilution method are not materially different from those that take place in the process of filtration. It is largely a matter of oxidation accompanied by mechanical and physical agencies. For the process to be satisfactory there should remain no floating organic matter, no deposition of sludge should take place in the vicinity of the outlet, and there should be sufficient oxygen in the stream or other body of water to completely oxidize the sewage. As ordinarily spoken of, dilution has meant the disposal of raw sewage into a body or stream of relatively pure water. As actually practiced, the dilution method is used for the final disposal of all stages of sewage effluents from raw sewage to the effluents from the best slow sand filters.

It is a common practice, perhaps too common, to pass the sewage through tanks and then leave the balance of the process of purification to take place in the body of water into which the sewage passes, regardless of its size or condition. It is very obvious that raw sewage in considerable quantities, such as would be discharged from a large factory building or institution, should not be discharged into a small body of water or small stream. In almost all cases it is preferable to use some preliminary treatment to at least remove the floating solids and coarser matter. This can best be accomplished by screening or sedimentation in tanks.

The outlet sewer for best results should extend some distance into the water with several openings so as to provide a good intermingling of the sewage effluent with the water. It is a well established fact that streams will purify themselves under favorable conditions. The distance below the source of pollution that the stream may be found free from evidence of it, depends upon the relative volumes of sewage and water, upon the amount of oxygen present in the water, and upon the velocity of the stream. At New Orleans no traces of sewage pollution can be found in the Mississippi river, although the sewage of nine million people is discharged into it.

16. Screening.—Two classes of screens are used for this purpose: (1) coarse rack screens for removing objects that would obstruct machinery, render disposal waters unsightly, and prevent deposits on the bottom of rivers, lakes, and tidal waters, and (2) fine screens for the purpose of removing the above materials and also as much as possible of the finer suspended matter.

Coarse screens are built of bars ½ to 1½ in. apart, and fine screens, usually revolving, are built of perforated metal or wire cloth with holes seldom exceeding ¼ in. in size.

The use of fine screens can hardly be considered more than a very preliminary process. Screens are used principally where the ultimate disposal is into tidal waters or very large streams. Where a plant receives considerable attention from the caretaker, bar screens are advantageous on most any plant. None of the screens now made can compare with plain sedimentation for the removal of a large percentage of the settleable solids.

17. Sedimentation.—Sedimentation is the process by which sewage is allowed to stand quiescent in, or flow very slowly through, tanks or basins in which the settleable solids may subside to the bottom of the tank. This process, if carried out for a period of 2 to 3 hr. with the resulting sludge removed continuously or at frequent intervals, will not permit of much septic action. Such action is called *plain* sedimentation as it does not involve bacterial reduction or its attendant chemical changes. At least 150 parts per million of the solids of a typical sewage should be removed in 2 hr. Sedimentation is a valuable part of the process of disinfection of sewage as it has been proven that a disinfectant, such as liquid chlorine, will act much more effectively after the coarser matters have been removed.

The amount of matter that will settle varies greatly with different sewages and is largely influenced by quantity and character of industrial waste included in the sewage.

18. Tank Treatment.—There are three leading types of tanks for sewage treatment: (1) septic tanks, (2) Imhoff tanks, and (3) sedimentation tanks with auxiliary tanks for separate sludge digestion. Several other types have been proposed, such as the Travis and Dortmund tanks.

18a. Septic Tanks.—Septic tanks are really sedimentation tanks with the added feature that the sludge is retained in the tank for long periods of time to undergo anaerobic decomposition. As a result of this action, gas-lifted particles of sludge are raised to the surface of the liquid. These particles, while still in a partially decomposed state, are often carried away with the effluent, making it more turbid than the raw sewage. Such conditions frequently come about where the velocity of flow through the tank is suddenly changed to a high rate as would happen where storm water is allowed to get into sanitary sewers, or where there are relatively large changes in the discharge of sewage from the building. It is therefore advisable to keep out of the tank, storm waters and all other waters of variable flow that are relatively as pure as the effluent from the tank would be, such as cooling waters in condenseries, ice plants, etc. The relative variation of flow is usually greater for very small installations than for very large ones. For instance, the flow of sewage for a family of 3 people would likely vary 100% within 24 hr., whereas for a large factory running night and day the variation might be only 30%.

The size of a septic tank should be based on either the number of people served or upon the quantity of sewage flowing at the average rate (assume 24-hr. flow to take place in 18 hr.). The following tests applied to the design will usually bring satisfactory results for tanks of this type: (1) The capacity should be 4 cu. ft. to each person; (2) the capacity should equal about one-third of the volume of the daily flow; and (3) the rest period (flowing-through period) should be about 8 hr. The essential features of the design of a septic tank are: The inlet and outlets should be trapped so as not to disturb the floating sludge or allow it to flow away with the effluent. The velocity at entrance should be reduced as soon as possible to a minimum of about 11 ft. per hour and maximum of 30 ft. per hour. The tank should have a minimum depth of 4 ft. and should not be deeper than 12 ft., except in cases where it is necessary to get the required volume in a limited space. The length should be about twice the width. The tank may or may not be covered, but if covered it should not be air tight as the gases are liable to explode and do great damage. The tank should have some convenient means of cleaning—that is, by either drawing off the sludge or skimming the scum from the surface of the liquid. This feature is the one that is most likely to be neglected as it has been the general supposition that septic tanks do not need to be cleaned out at all, which is not in accord with the experience of the operation of the oldest tanks.

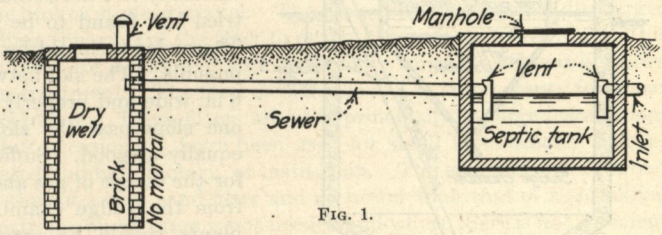


FIG. 1.

Fig. 1 illustrates a vertical, longitudinal section of a typical septic tank. The baffles at the inlet and outlet are usually made of an elbow or tee of vitrified pipe for small installations, and of plank or concrete hanging wall for large ones.

Septic tanks are made with hopper bottoms so that they can be cleaned out more easily, but the experience with these tanks has demonstrated that greater quantities of gas-lifted sludge are brought up into the liquid and hence into the effluent on account of the greater concentration of sludge at one point. The patent on the septic tank expired in 1916. Table 3 gives the proper dimensions of small tanks for 2 to 21 people.

TABLE 3.—DIMENSIONS OF SEPTIC TANKS

Number of persons served	Inside dimensions of tank for a given number of people		
	Width	Length	Depth
2 to 5	2 ft.–0 in.	4 ft.–0 in.	5 ft.–0 in.
6 to 9	2 ft.–6 in.	5 ft.–0 in.	5 ft.–0 in.
10 to 13	3 ft.–0 in.	5 ft.–0 in.	5 ft.–0 in.
14 to 17	3 ft.–0 in.	5 ft.–6 in.	5 ft.–0 in.
18 to 21	3 ft.–0 in.	6 ft.–0 in.	5 ft.–0 in.

18*b*. Imhoff Tanks.—Imhoff tanks were designed and patented by Dr. Imhoff of Essen, Germany. The design consists of a sedimentation tank superimposed on a septic tank for the digestion of the sludge. The flow takes place only through the upper tank and its bottom is so constructed with steep slopes and a baffled slot that the settleable solids slide into the digestion chamber below. This tank performs all the functions of a septic tank but keeps the process of sedimentation separate from the process of anaerobic decomposition of the sludge.

It is claimed that its principal advantage lies in the fact that the effluent is free from septic gas-lifted sludge; it also contains more oxygen and is, therefore, more readily treated subsequently by oxidizing processes, such as filtration. At the same time, it retains all the advantages of anaerobic decomposition of the sludge. The essential features of the design of an Imhoff tank are: a sedimentation chamber whose bottom has steep slopes and slot for passing settleable solids, and a sludge digestion chamber under the sedimentation tank with sludge pipe for removing the sludge. The inlets and outlets of the sedimentation chamber should be baffled and the bottom slopes should be not flatter than 1.5 units vertically to 1 horizontally. Flatter slopes have been tried but found to be unsatisfactory in most cases. These slopes should be made as smooth and even as possible. The slot between them should be not over 6 in. wide and properly baffled by extending edge of one slope past the slot, or in some other manner equally as good. Sufficient area must be provided for the escape of gas and for the floating sludge rising from the sludge chamber. Such gas vents on large plants should be extended several feet above the surface of the liquid in the tank.

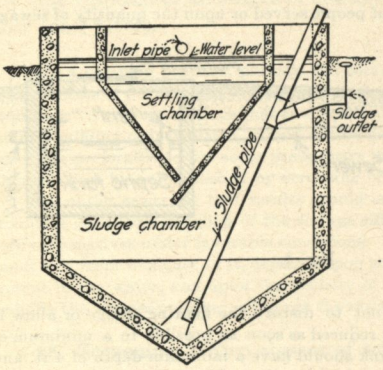


FIG. 2.

The sludge chamber should have bottoms sloping to one or more points from which the sludge can be removed. The slopes should be not flatter than 1 unit vertically to 3 units horizontally. A sludge pipe should extend to a point near the bottom so that some sludge may be removed. Removal of the sludge is usually accomplished by the head of water in the tank above the outlet of the sludge pipe, but where this is not possible, the sludge is pumped by a suction pump.

Fig. 2 illustrates a vertical cross-sectional view of a typical Imhoff tank showing the slopes, slot, sludge pipes, etc. The capacity of these tanks is based on the "flowing through period" for the upper story and on the volume of sludge produced by a given sewage for the lower story. The capacity of the sedimentation tank or upper story should be $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{6}$ of the volume of the 24-hr. flow, which would provide a rest period of 2½ to 3 hr., based on the average flow taking place in 18 hr. The capacity of the lower story or sludge chamber will depend largely upon the relative strength of the sewage and upon the frequency of drawing off sludge. An average value would be 0.008 cu. ft. per capita per day for a period of 3 mo. or more; that is, it should hold the sludge that would accumulate in 3 to 5 mo.

It is claimed that the Imhoff tank is an improvement over the septic tank in that it delivers a fresher and more uniform effluent and provides means for thoroughly digesting the sludge. However, Imhoff tanks are not giving the satisfaction as at first thought, or as claimed for them. Some of the principal difficulties and objections to them are: foaming of gas vents, which function spreads partially digested sludge all over the walls and surface of the sedimentation tank; scum forming on the surface of the sedimentation tank and becoming septic; settleable solids collecting on the sloping bottoms and becoming putrescible; generating of gas and sending sludge to the surface; difficulties in drawing off sludge by having it clog the pipe and cling to the sides and bottom of tank; liquid from upper story being drawn off in place of sludge, etc.

18*c*. Sedimentation Tank.—Sedimentation tanks are similar to the Imhoff tanks in action and operation, but differ in construction. The sludge digestion tank, instead of being located under the sedimentation tank, is placed at one side of it. The sludge is drawn off periodically by a sludge pipe operating under the head of water in the sedimentation tank in a similar manner to the way in which sludge is drawn from the lower chamber of the Imhoff tank. This method is not entirely satisfactory as the sludge tank soon fills to a level near that of the settling tank, and then there is little or no head to produce a flow of the settling

solids, unless constructed at a much lower level. A much better plan is to pump the solids from the sedimentation tank by means of centrifugal or air lift pumps. The capacities of these tanks should be the same as for the corresponding stories of the Imhoff tank.

19. Filters.—The effluent from preliminary processes in most instances is further treated by filtration. There are four types of filters commonly used: (*a*) slow sand filters, (*b*) contact filters, (*c*) sprinkling or percolating filters, and (*d*) sub-surface filters or tile distribution.

19*a*. Slow Sand Filters.—Slow sand filters are constructed of a layer of medium coarse sand about 2 ft. thick, resting on a layer of gravel with under drains. The effluent from the tanks or other preliminary process is distributed over the surface by means of troughs or pipes in doses sufficient to cover the bed 2 in. deep. Sufficient time should elapse between doses to allow for complete drainage of the bed and for air to follow the liquid into the filter. The filter should be divided into three or more sections or beds, so that two beds can be operated alternately while the third one is resting and being cleaned of any surface deposit. The surface area of the filters in use should be so proportioned that they will receive from 5 to 10 gal. per sq. ft. per day. These filters should only be used where it is necessary to produce an effluent of high degree of purity.

19*b*. Contact Filters.—Contact filters are usually placed in large concrete tanks and consist of relatively coarse broken stone or gravel. The tank or other effluent is discharged into the filter periodically, filling the voids of the filter to nearly the surface of the stone. It is then allowed to stand in "contact" for a period of an hour or more when the effluent is drawn off for final disposal or further treatment. The filter is then allowed to stand empty for about 6 hr. when it is again filled as before. These filters are used principally in large installations as an intermediate process, but occasionally have been used for small installations, such as would be required for an isolated building, factory, or institution. The effluent from a contact filter or bed is far inferior to that of a slow sand filter and no better than that of a sprinkling filter. In some cases where extreme purification is not needed and where there is not sufficient head to operate filters of other types, this filter might prove to be the best solution of the problem. The rate of dosing is usually about 0.6 million gal. per acre per day with a minimum of 0.3 and a maximum of 1.0 million gal. per day. These beds are often operated in series, as primary and secondary.

19*c*. Sprinkling Filters.—The sprinkling filter is one of the newest and most satisfactory types of filters where an effluent of medium purity is satisfactory for further dilution in a stream or body of water.

The media used in these filters is crushed stone or gravel from ¾ to 2½ in. in size and in depth of 5 to 10 ft. The rate of operation varies from 1.5 to 2.0 million gal. per acre per day, depending upon the character of the applied effluent and the degree of purity desired. The removal of suspended matter and the stability of the effluent are both functions of the depth of the filter and the rate of application. The treated sewage is applied usually by means of spray nozzles automatically operated from a syphon chamber in which one or more automatic syphons are located. The rest period between doses need be only a few minutes, usually 15 to 30. From 4 to 9 ft. of head is required to operate the nozzles satisfactorily, which in some cases is a great objection to the use of this type of filter as such a head, together with the fall through the filter, could not be obtained without pumping. There is considerable odor noticeable about these filters, due to the spraying of a foul smelling liquid in the atmosphere. They should, therefore, be located as far as possible from inhabited buildings. This type of filter unloads its entrained organic matter in the form of humus.

The unloading may take place at frequent intervals, but principally in the spring of the year. If there is no provision made for catching the humus, the effluent at times will be very turbid and perhaps putrescible. It is therefore usual to provide a settling tank at the outlet of the filters in which the humus settles to the bottom. Such a reservoir should have a capacity equal to the volume of a 3-hr. flow. The humus must be removed frequently from the reservoir as it is highly putrescible and would gasify in a short time and pass off with the effluent if allowed to remain in the reservoir.

19*d*. Sub-surface Filters.—The sewage from many isolated residences, factories, institutions, etc., is disposed of by the use of sub-surface filters or tile drains laid in loose soils.

Some preliminary treatment must always be used to remove all of the coarser matters and as much as possible of the settleable solids which might eventually clog the tiles. For proper distribution of the liquid in the entire system, the tiling should be laid on very slight grades and all of the lateral lines should be on the same grade. The liquid should not be allowed to trickle into the main distribution pipe, but should be applied in doses sufficient to fill the system entirely full. This can be accomplished by the use of an automatic syphon. The amount of tile necessary will vary greatly with the character of the effluent to be handled and with the character of the soil absorbing the liquid, but will likely vary between 10 and 50 ft. of 4-in. tile per capita served.

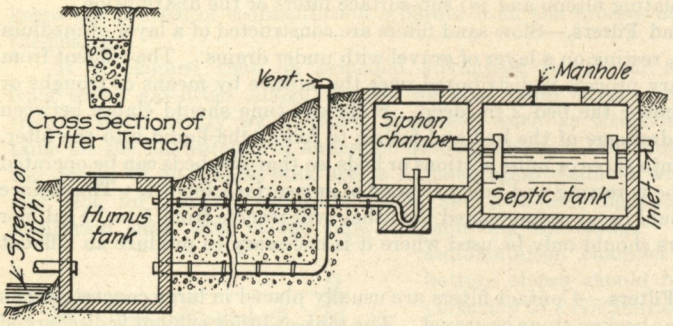


FIG. 3.

Where soil conditions are favorable and the amount of sewage to be cared for is relatively small, "dry wells" may be used to advantage for the disposal of tank effluents (see Fig. 1). In localities where the subsoil is not suited for absorption of the lliquid, it is sometimes necessary to artificially construct a sub soil about the drain tiles or in the form of a sub-surface filter (see Figs. 3, 4, and 5).

20. Broad Irrigation.—The broad irrigation process consists in irrigating agricultural land with the raw sewage or effluents from preliminary processes. This process can be very satisfactorily used in localities where the soil is very loose, such as sand or gravel which might be found in some of the warm climates. The method of application is by wooden troughs, pipes, or trenches made between two furrows. The latter method is usual where crops are raised on the sewage disposal area.

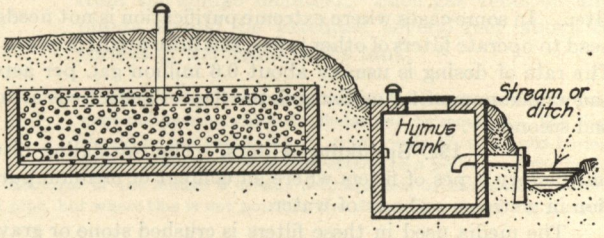


FIG. 4.

The rate of application will vary from 50,000 gal. per acre per day for a strong sewage and relatively fine sand, to one million gallons or more for a tank effluent on a coarse gravelly soil. This is a method that is used quite commonly in warm climates where there is a sandy or gravelly soil available. It is also used in some northern cold climates where sand flats along large rivers are available for the purpose.

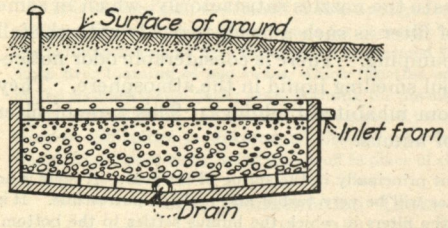


FIG. 5.

21. United States Public Health Service Design.—Prof. Earle B. Phelps and others of the Hygienic Laboratory of the United States Public Health Service, have experimented with a new type of plant for single houses or small communities. In a preliminary report they describe this most interesting design in part as follows:

The design consists of a concrete structure in which are placed an Imhoff tank with wooden partitions, bottom slopes, baffles, etc. In the second compartment is located a lath filter. It is built up of layers of ordinary laths, the

laths of adjacent layers lying at right angles to each other, and those of the same layer being parallel and spaced with clear openings of 3 in. The laths of alternate layers are so placed that they will come over the centers of the open spaces in the layer below. A filter 6 ft. deep yields an effluent of high degree of oxidation, and one 3½ ft. deep yields an effluent sufficiently oxidized to satisfy the requirements of most situations. A total filter volume of 8 cu. ft. per capita is required, or from 2½ to 12½ gal. of sewage may be applied to 1 cu. ft. per day.

The distributor consists of a tip trough similar to those used in rain gages. A cross section of this device is shown in Fig. 6. The trough extends entirely across the filter and discharges upon tapering boards placed upon the surface of the lath filter. As each compartment becomes nearly full the device is overbalanced and tips, rocking upon the supporting knife edge. The force of the impact is sufficient to cause the sewage to pass in a wave to the ends of the distributor boards. These boards are so tapered that the distribution over the entire area is rendered quite uniform. The performance of this filter is much superior to that of a good stone sprinkling filter. In 6-ft. depths with subsequent sedimentation, it is approximately equal to that of a well operated sand filter 2 ft. deep. Comparable results of this filter with a similar one of stone are given in Table 4.

TABLE 4.—AVERAGE PERFORMANCE OF LATH AND STONE FILTERS

	Lath	Stone
Rate (m.g.a.d.)	2.90	3.12
Relatives stability of effluent (percent)	93.0	67.0
Reduction of biochemical oxygen demand (percent.)	89.0	81.0
Reduction of organic nitrogen (percent.)	55.0	29.0
Nitrogen oxidized (P.P.M.)	4.7	4.0

In the complete design, the sewage flows from the Imhoff tank through a pipe to the end of the distributor trough, and thence to the filters as above described. The effluent from the filter is again passed through an Imhoff tank located under the filter. The device fulfills in a most practical way the requirements of satisfactory operation with minimum superintendence.

It is claimed by the designers that a plant of this design, capable of caring for 10 people, can be built for $250. The degree of purification effected is sufficient for all purposes except where the discharge is directly into a water supply, in which case, chemical disinfection of the effluent is recommended in addition. In the northern sections of the country it will be desirable to provide heavy plank covers for protection against winter weather. The plant will operate without nuisance, and with a monthly inspection and semi-annual or annual removal of sludge from the tanks, will operate continuously without further attention.

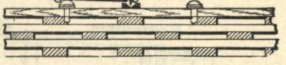


FIG. 6

22. Selection of Method of Treatment.—It is common practice to discharge sewage and other wastes into large bodies of water and streams where such are available. This process of dilution, while correct in principle where properly applied, cannot be said to be a desirable one from an esthetic or sanitary standpoint. The installation of the simplest form of tank treatment will remove the principal objections to this process in many instances.

The choice of tank design is not always an easy matter to decide. Where the sewage is fresh and not broken up or digested, a Dortmund tank followed by an Imhoff, as shown in Fig. 7, should give most excellent results. Where a large factory or institution is to be served and the disposal plant is not a great distance from the power plant, or where electric current for power purposes is available, the plain sedimentation tank with separate sludge digestion tanks and air lift pumps should give satisfactory results (see Fig. 8).

Where the body of water or stream is relatively small or incapable of oxidizing the effluent to a stable condition, the tank treatment should be followed by some method of filtration. The type to select will depend upon local conditions as to final disposal and the amount of fall available. Where a partial purification will suffice and there is plenty of fall, a sprinkling filter will prove the most satisfactory, but under the same conditions with small fall, a contact filter should be used.

Where there is no body of water or stream in which to dispose of the final effluent, it must be disposed of underground by subsurface irrigation, a dry well, subsurface filter or by slow sand filters, discharging upon the ground, into a ditch, dry run, or ravine. In the latter case the effluent must be practically as stable as any surface water.

Broad irrigation can be substituted for any of the above methods when conditions are favorable. The selection of the proper method of treatment should be given careful consideration by a person well versed in the subject. The too common practice of adopting dilution or septic tank treatment without study of the problem cannot be recommended.

23. Inspection and Control of Sewage Disposal Plants.—All sewage disposal plants should be inspected periodically. The length of time between inspection will depend upon the character of the plant and upon the degree of purification necessary to prevent a nuisance being created in the final body of water into which the effluent is discharged. They should be inspected at

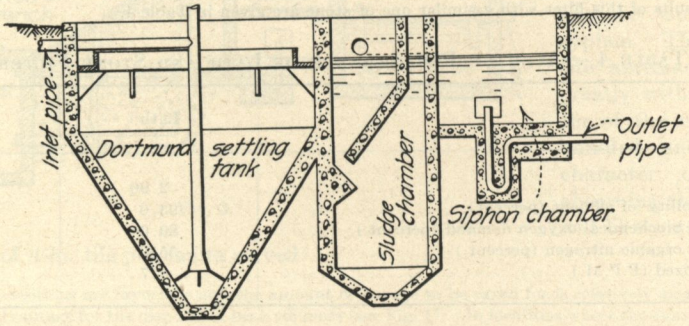


FIG. 7.

least every three months and the oftener the better Satisfactory operation may be judged by sight, smell, physical, chemical, and bacteriological tests and analyses.

Septic Tanks.—A relatively clear, light colored effluent with little or no odor at a distance of 50 ft. indicates good operation. A milky or light creamy colored effluent generally indicates that too fresh sewage is leaving the tank. This condition may be caused by the tank being too small, or by the tank being loaded with sludge and the discharge taking place by a short-cut passage through the tank, or possibly the baffles have become removed and the flow is

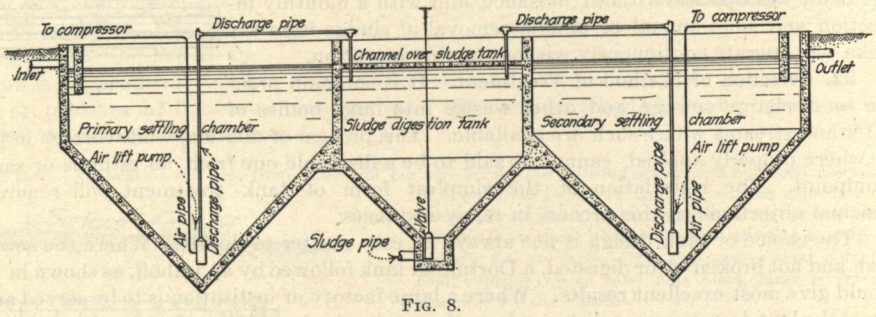


FIG. 8.

direct from the inlet to the outlet. If the effluent is dark colored and contains particles of black humus, the tank likely needs cleaning as it is either now discharging more organic matter than comes into the tank, or the flow into the tank is erratic and is unduly disturbing the sludge.

The remedies that may be applied for these defective conditions are: clean the tank; make necessary repairs, if any; reduce excessive flow into tank, if possible; make sedimentation tests and chemical and bacteriological analyses to determine actual work done by the tank. If the tank is insufficient in size, build another compartment.

At each inspection, tests with poles should be made to determine amount of sludge on the bottom of the tank and the amount of scum. See that flow takes place over full length of weirs if there are any.

Imhoff Tanks.—If sewage is extremely fresh when it enters the tank, there will be considerable scum on the tank after it has been in use a month or more. This should not be allowed to become septic, but should be removed, forced under liquid, or broken up. Violent disturbance should be avoided. If effluent is dark colored with black humus particles entrained, either the slot is closed or the settleable solids have collected on the slopes of the tank and are becoming septic. The remedy for these conditions is to squeegee the slopes, draw off the sludge, and inspect the slot with a long pole or rod. If gas vents are foaming, draw off sludge or remove any scum from the vents.

Draw off some sludge each month and keep the sludge loose in the sludge chamber by the use of water under pressure. Make sedimentation tests and chemical and bacteriological analyses, quarterly or oftener.

Filters.—Sand filters must be dried and scraped whenever there are signs of clogging to any large extent. Sprinkling filter nozzles have to be removed from time to time to keep out matches, corks, etc. When the filter shows signs of clogging, remove spray nozzle and plug opening for a while. Humus tank under filter should be cleaned out frequently.

Sub-surface filters should be inspected so far as is possible, and in some cases dug up if necessary, to determine the cause of any trouble such as odor, clogging, putrescibility, etc.

Sedimentation tests and chemical and bacteriological analyses should be made quarterly or oftener if a high degree of purification is necessary.

SECTION 4

WATERLESS TOILET CONVENIENCES

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1. Outdoor Privies.

1*a*. Deep Vault Type.—In localities where sewers are not available, where private sewage disposal systems are not practicable, or where the water supply is derived from shallow surface wells, a sanitary privy or some other approved type of toilet is essential for the safe disposal of human wastes.

An outdoor privy should not be located at a spot such that liquids from the vault may pass either over the ground surface or through the ground. Where possible, it should be located at least 100 to 150 ft. from the nearest surface well or spring, and no water-tight privy vault should be located within 10 ft. of any cistern or within 20 ft. from any surface water supply used for drinking purposes.

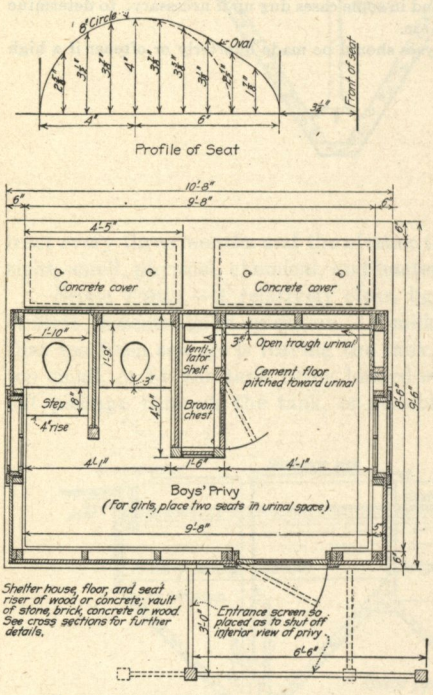


FIG. 1.—Floor plan of a school privy.

It cannot safely be said that any soil within 500 or 1000 ft. of an open vault, privy, or cesspool will protect a shallow, dug or drilled well, or spring, from pollution. Any soil full of seams, a porous rock or one full of crevices, or a very coarse gravel may allow the contents of the vault or cesspool to leach to the nearby source of shallow water supply with little or no purification.

The privy must be so designed and constructed that it can be kept reasonably clean and in a sanitary condition without too much labor. A broom or service closet as shown in Fig. 1 should be provided.

The vault or pit must be as dark as possible, of adequate depth, and extended with suitable material, such as concrete or masonry work, at least 8 in. above the surface of the surrounding ground, so that small animals and vermin cannot have access to the excreta, and it should be flyproof.

GENERAL INFORMATION AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR PRIVY CONSTRUCTION

Foundation.—Foundation or supports should be of durable construction, and when not a part of the vault should be extended below the frost line.

Privy Vault.—The kind of vault to be selected depends upon the following conditions:

(1) The location of the privy with relation to wells, driven points, springs, streams or other source of water supply.

(2) Capacity of vault required to serve existing conditions and to conform with the type of floor construction chosen from the sketches given.

(3) Character and stability of the soil into which the vault is to be sunk.

(4) Character of the material most suited or convenient for the construction of the vault, such as brick, cement, or tile blocks, or stone laid in mortar; concrete walls with the bottom left open to the soil or made with water-tight walls and bottom; or wood construction, as may best serve the existing conditions.

(5) Whether the vault is to be constructed for permanent service or provided with an opening for the removal of contents, or the shelter-house removed for cleaning of vault or moved to a new location.

The vault should have a minimum inside dimension of at least 2 ft. 8 in. and extend the full length of the privy. It should have a depth of from 6 to 10 ft., depending upon the character of the soil and size of vault serving the particular situation best. Vaults provided with a cover for cleaning purposes must have a width of at least 3 ft. 8 in., interior dimensions, extend the full width of the privy and be provided with an access space to the vault from 16 to 18 in. wide (Figs. 2 and 3).

For estimating or determining the capacity required for a privy vault the following information is presented:

Capacity of Vault for School Building Having an Average Attendance of 15 *Children Per Day* (For other buildings deduct or add as the case may be).—

Amount deposited per child for a 1-mo. school period, approximately 1 gal.

Total deposit per child for a 9-mo. school period, 9 gal.

Total deposit for 15 children for 9-mo. period, 135 gal.

A vault as shown in Fig. 5, 2 ft. 8 in. wide, by 4 ft. 8 in. long, by 6 ft. 0. in. deep = 62 cu. ft. = 465 gal.

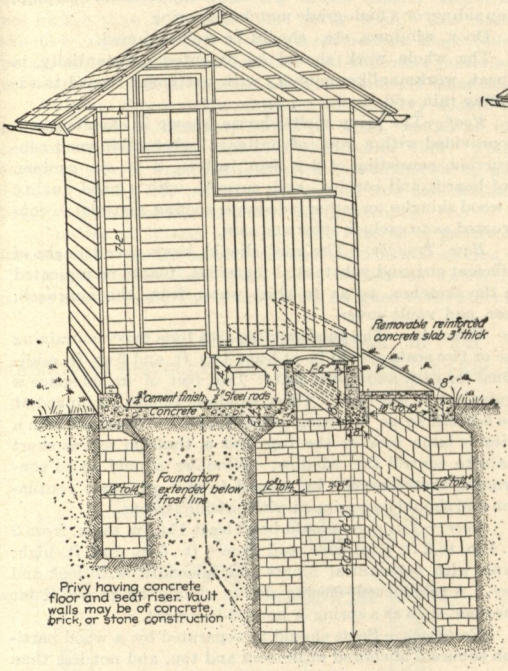


FIG. 2.—Cross section through seat, Fig. 1.

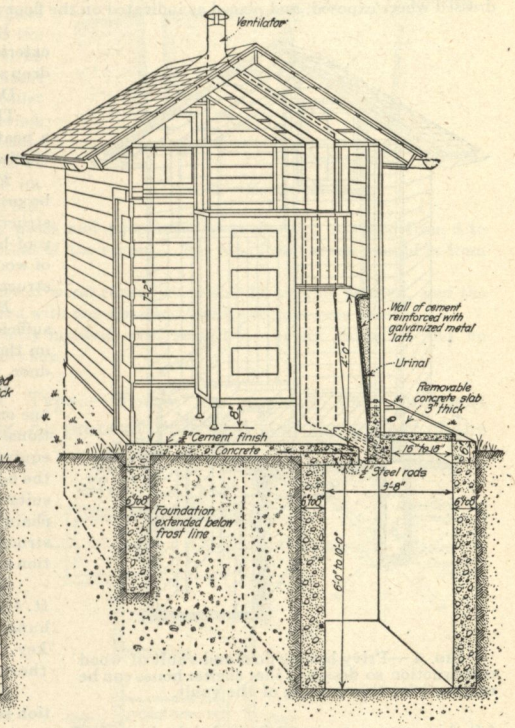


FIG. 3.—Cross section through urinal, Fig. 1.

In determining or estimating the length of time a vault will serve without cleaning, proper allowance should be made for evaporation, soil absorption, etc., of liquid contents. This depends upon the character of the soil and whether the soil is reasonably free from water. Approximately 80% of the deposits are or will turn into liquid by bacterial action and decomposition.

Accordingly, a vault of the above capacity, located and constructed to permit leaching of the liquid contents, should serve from 12 to 16 yr. without requiring cleaning out of the contents.

A vault of above dimensions and water-tight construction, allowing for natural elimination of liquids by the process of evaporation, which is enhanced by the vault ventilator, will require removal of the contents once in every 6 yr.

Vault capacities for larger privies should be estimated in accordance with the foregoing information. In most cases large vaults are preferable.

Floor Design, Materials, and Construction.—The floor should preferably be made of concrete, reinforced with steel rods where necessary (Figs. 2 and 3). The top coating should be applied as soon as possible after laying the concrete. If for any reason the top coating cannot be applied until the concrete is hard, then the surface must be thoroughly cleaned and washed with a cement grout. The top coating should be at least ¾ in. in thickness, of a dense, rich mixture, composed of one part Portland cement and two parts sharp sand free from loam, troweled and

finished to a smooth surface and properly cured. Experience has proven that in order to obtain the best results for toilet room floors, the top coating must be kept in a moist state by proper damp covering for a period from 10 to 20 days.

Floors of wood construction should conform with the following minimum requirements: Joists should be not less than 2 × 6 in. of sound material placed 16 in. center to center; end pieces and headers of same size and material; wall support extending across rear of vault composed of two 2 × 8-in. joists, constructed in accordance with cross section of privy shown. The floor should consist of 1-in. dressed, matched flooring free from knots and other defects, laid tight, in a workmanlike manner, and kept well painted and in such condition as to prevent absorption. A double thickness of flooring is recommended.

Construction of Floor and Seat Risers.—The floor, wall base, and riser in front of the seats should be made of material other than wood, which does not readily absorb moisture, such as concrete faced with cement or other smooth, non-absorbent material which can be easily cleaned (Fig. 2).

When wood is used as a substitute for concrete in the construction of floors, base, and seat riser, it should be of good quality, constructed as shown, and well protected with water-proof paint (Fig. 4).

Walls of Shelter-house.—The frame work for a privy of wood construction should consist of 2 × 4 in. studdings, dressed where exposed, and placed as indicated on the floor plan on cross sections shown.

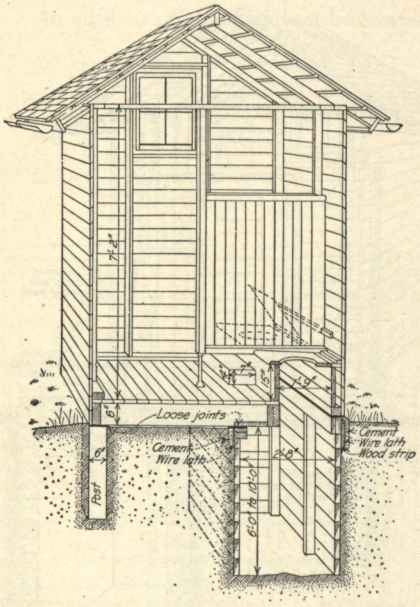


FIG. 4.—Privy having floor and vault of wood construction so designed that shelter house can be removed for the cleaning of the vault.

Interior walls should be lined with dressed flooring and exterior walls covered up with a fair grade of dressed shiplap, drop siding, or a high-grade matched flooring.

Door, windows, etc., should be well trimmed.

The whole work should be executed substantially, in a neat, workmanlike manner, with particular regard to excluding rain and snow.

Roof.—The privy shelter-house shown in sketches is to be provided with a roof of ordinary substantial wood construction, consisting of 2 × 4-in. rafters, 2 ft. on centers, roof boards and cornice, and covered with a good quality of wood shingles, or other adequate roofing material so constructed as to exclude snow and rain.

Eave Troughs.—The roof should have eave troughs of sufficient size and substantial materials, placed as indicated on the sketches, so as to shed water from the approach, door, and vault cover.

Windows.—The window glass area for a privy containing one or two seats should be at least 4 sq. ft. and 2 sq. ft. additional for each additional seat. Two feet of urinal space is equivalent to one seat. These windows should be hinged at the bottom so as to swing inward, and be provided with a suitable latch lock at the top and a transom rod or short chain to control the window. Windows should be so constructed that they can be opened to give adequate ventilation and should be equipped with outside screens.

Door.—The door should be at least 1¾ in. thick, from 2 ft. 4 in. to 2 ft. 6 in. wide, and from 6 ft. 6 in. to 7 ft. high; hung with substantial hinges and provided with lock and key. A reliable self-closing device should be provided for the door, such as a spring or housed-in weight.

Partitions.—Seats should be separated by a wood partition securely anchored at bottom and top, and not less than 5 ft. 6 in., nor more than 6 ft. in height from the floor. A space of 10 to 12 in. should be left between the floor and the bottom of each partition.

Each urinal trough should be so located as to have back and ends or walls to give privacy.

Number of Seats and Urinals.—For places of employment or similar public buildings, one seat should be allowed for every 20 females, and one seat and one urinal for every 40 males. For schools, one seat for every 20 females or fraction, except for grammar and primary grades, where there should be one seat for every 15 females or fraction; and one seat and one urinal for every 40 males or fraction, except for grammar and primary grades, where there should be one seat and one urinal for every 30 males or fraction. Each 2 ft. of urinal space is considered equal to one urinal.

Seats.—The seats for each privy should be made of wood painted and varnished to make them impervious to moisture, and may be provided with tight-fitting covers.

Seat openings should be 8 × 10 in., oval in shape, and should begin 3¼ in. from the front or seat riser (Fig. 1).

Urinals.—The urinal shown in Figs. 1 and 3 should be designed and constructed of materials and in a manner to conform with the sketches. The wall, ends, and approach must be of nonabsorbent material. When made of concrete, a rich cement-finished, smooth facing, asphaltum-coated, must be provided. When made of wood, the walls, ends, and floor must be provided with a No. 24 galvanized iron (or heavier) facing, and be asphaltum coated.

To make a concrete urinal non-absorbent the following is required: A top coating ¾ in. thick, of a dense, rich

mixture, composed of one part Portland cement and two parts sharp sand, free from loam, troweled and finished to a smooth surface. Wall and ends of the urinal should be asphaltum-coated, the coating to be renewed whenever necessary. (An asphaltum coating can be applied successfully only on a perfectly dry surface.)

Ventilation of Vault and Shelter-house.—The space under the seats should be ventilated by a vent pipe (Fig. 3), which should have an opening 5 in. square for every square yard or major part thereof of the vault surface. This vent pipe should extend upward from the vault through and at least 3 ft. above the roof, and be constructed of wood or No. 24 galvanized sheet iron. Thus a two-seat privy should have a vent pipe 4 × 12 in. or its equivalent in size. It is recommended that this ventilator be equipped with an efficient vent hood to guard against down-drafts. (An efficient ventilator is considered to be a vent terminal provided with a hood of the siphonic action type, or its equivalent in some other type which will promote the ventilation.)

Service or Broom Closet.—The service closet should be substantially built of dressed lumber, well braced, and provided with floor, ceiling, door, and ample shelving. A space from 6 to 12 in. should be left between the floor and the bottom of the cabinet. The top of the cabinet should be not higher than 7 ft. above the privy floor. This closet should be equipped with broom, mop, bucket, soap, toilet paper, lime or other disinfectant, and any other materials necessary for maintaining the toilet in a sanitary condition.

Entrance Screen.—The entrance to the privy should be provided with an adequate screen of wood, metal, or its equivalent, so placed as to shut off the interior view. This screen may be of wood lattice construction supported by posts and substantially anchored. A space from 6 to 12 in. should be left between the ground and the bottom of the screen. The top of the screen should be from 5½ to 6 ft. above the surface of the ground.

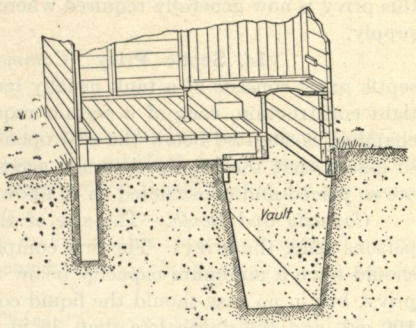


FIG. 5.—Earth pit type.

Painting of Wooden Privies.—The exterior of privies of wood construction should be well painted, and the interior walls, partitions, and ceilings should be well covered with non-absorbent white or light gray paint.

Designation of Sex.—Each privy should be distinctly marked with regard to the sex using it, and no person should be allowed to use a privy assigned to the other sex.

1b. Earth Excavation or Pit Type.—Where the ground has sufficient stability to prevent caving in, the earth pit (Fig. 5), properly protected near the surface of the ground, may under favorable conditions successfully be substituted for the permanent type of vault. Its advantages are simplicity of construction and the easy removal of the shelter-house to a new location and pit; the disadvantages are its unsuitability in low or swampy lands, in soil not free from water or of seamy clay or rock formation, or where there is danger of polluting surrounding soil or water supplies. For other particulars consult vault requirements in the preceding article.

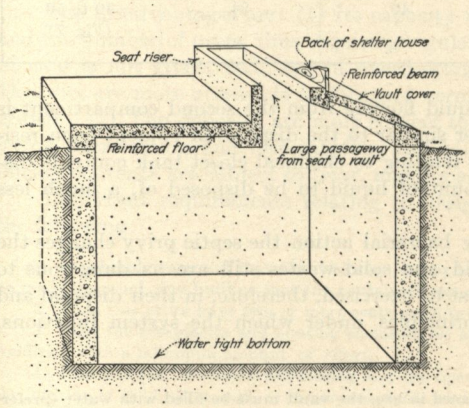


FIG. 6.—Large vault.

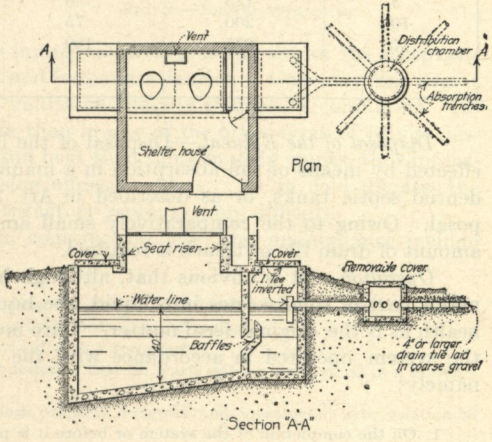


FIG. 7.—Septic privy.

1c. Water-tight Vault Type.—The design and construction of this type of privy are in every particular the same as those of the deep vault, except that the vault is of water-tight construction (Figs. 3 and 6).

The vault content of this type is in most cases found in a semi-liquid state except where each successive deposit is covered by a layer of ashes, lime, or dry earth. Contents must be removed at more frequent intervals than required with the soil absorption type. The use of this privy is now generally required wherever there is danger of contaminating a drinking water supply.

1d. Septic Privy (*Commonly known as the L. R. S. type*).—The so-called septic privy consists of a tank usually having two or more compartments of substantial water-tight construction, each of a certain required capacity. The first compartment, or receiving chamber, is situated below the seat opening. The tank is provided with one or more manholes so placed that the interior is made accessible for cleaning. Baffle walls and inverted outlets are so placed and constructed as to allow the liquids to pass over to the disposal unit (Fig. 7).

Capacity and Depth.—The size of the compartments should be based on the number of persons using the privy. The first compartment (the liquidation and sedimentation chamber) should have a minimum capacity below the water line of at least 25 gal. per person using the privy, but in no case should the liquid contents capacity of the first compartment be less than 100 gal. and the depth less than 36 in. The second compartment (liquid effluent chamber) should have a minimum capacity of 6 gal. per person, but in no case less than 50 gal.

Capacities and dimensions in accordance with the following table are considered good practice to follow:

Number of persons using privy	Capacity of first chamber below waterline (gallons)	Capacity of second comp't below waterline (gallons)	Volume depth (inches)	Distance above waterline (inches)	Combined length of absorption trenches (feet)
5	125	50	36	12	20 to 30
10	200	75	40	to	30 to 40
15	275	100	40	24	40 to 50 (Fig. 7)

Disposal of the Effluent.—Disposal of the liquid flowing from the second compartment is effected by means of soil absorption in a manner similar to the disposal of effluent from residential septic tanks, or as described in Art. 2 relating to chemical closet tank contents disposal. Owing to the comparatively small amount of liquid to be disposed of, a much less amount of drain tile or trench is required.

Operation.—It is obvious that, although by bacterial action the septic privy changes the major part of solid wastes into liquid, the liquid and solid wastes still are as dangerous to health as is the original fecal matter. Care must be exercised, therefore, in their disposal and the system operated in accordance with the principles under which the system functions, namely:

1. On the completion of the system or before it is placed in use, the vault must be filled with water (preferably rain water).
2. Water must be added at frequent and regular intervals so as to maintain an approximately fixed water level. Five or more gallons per week are usually required, depending on the size of the vault and the degree of loss by evaporation.
3. Sludge or residue must be removed from the bottom of the vault whenever it rises to exceed a depth of one-fourth of the liquid contents.
4. Heavy surface scum must be broken up at intervals and allowed to settle.
5. All material other than fecal matter, toilet paper, and water must be excluded.
6. Disinfectors, deodorizers, and other chemicals must be excluded because they retard materially bacterial action and liquidation.

In connection with public places, the foregoing maintenance principles generally must be followed. It is obvious, therefore, that this type of privy is not suitable for public or semi-public buildings.

The principal *installation factors* that require observance are:

1. Location of the privy with reference to sources of water supply.
2. Character of the soil as to effective and safe disposal of tank effluent.
3. Design and capacity.
4. Water-tight vault.
5. Effective vault ventilation.
6. Climatic conditions (protection against frost, etc.).
7. Regular and systematic maintenance.

It is claimed that this type of privy, under suitable climatic and certain other favorable conditions, has some advantages over the common type. Its satisfactory operation under all conditions has not as yet been established, nor has it been proven that it makes for a reduced cost, less care, or a safer disposal of the vault contents.

1e. Commercial Septic Privy.—Various makes of this type can be found in the market, similar in principle of operation, design, and construction to the septic privy previously described.

1f. Removable Bucket or Receptacle Type.—A privy of this design differs from the other types treated only insofar as it is equipped with a removable, water-tight bucket or larger receptacle for receiving the fecal deposits, rather than with an underground container of other vault types previously described (Fig. 8).

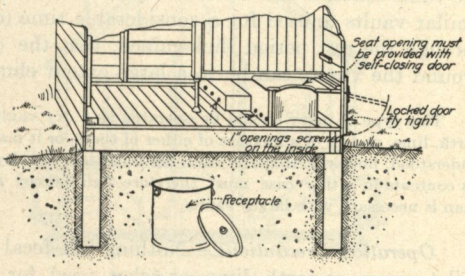


FIG. 8.—Bucket type privy.

The advantages of the removable bucket privy are: (1) It may be erected and removed quickly; (2) it involves a low initial cost; and (3) when effectively operated, it guards against pollution of the surrounding surface, soil, or water supplies.

The disadvantages are: (1) Its capacity is limited according to the size of the receptacle and the number of users, thus requiring regular and frequent attention. Generally this degree of care is not given, resulting in overflowing vaults and highly dangerous conditions. (2) Deposits are more accessible to flies and vermin than in any of the other types of privies described. (3) The deposits are more subject to sun heat than those in deep vaults, thus intensifying putrefaction and fermentation and causing offensive odors. (4) In cold climates the bucket contents are subject to frost, making satisfactory removal more difficult.

Important requirements relating to design, construction, use, and maintenance include the following:

1. It is highly essential that the enclosure or box housing the deposit containers, bucket, or other receptacle be made fly-proof, and built so that the containers can readily be removed and replaced.
2. That this privy have two or more seats, each provided with a receptacle.
3. That the receptacles and housing enclosure be so designed that all parts can be maintained in a sanitary condition with a minimum amount of effort.
4. That the seat covers be self-closing and the openings properly designed and constructed with relation to the location of the bucket, pail, or larger receptacle used.
5. That the receptacles be of proper design, kind, weight and quality and of water-tight construction.
6. That the receptacles must be so located and fitted below the seat openings that they will receive all the deposits without spattering upon adjacent surfaces.
7. That satisfactory means for regular disposal of the deposits be provided.
8. This type of privy, being affected by climatic conditions (heat and cold), it is essential that during warm weather each successive deposit of fecal matter be covered with a layer of dry earth in order to absorb moisture and reduce odors.
9. That the privy entrance door be self-closing.
10. Wherever practical, the rear of the privy should face the north or northwest in order to avoid the rays of the sun.

11. That effective ventilation be provided by means of a vent pipe extending from the bucket enclosure to a point above the shelter-house.

This type of privy usually proves unsatisfactory in respect to service and comfort in that it requires more care than the average individual is disposed to bestow upon it. If it is to render a reasonable degree of adequate service and prove safe for the public, it must be under the direct supervision of a highly developed, effective, community scavenger service system.

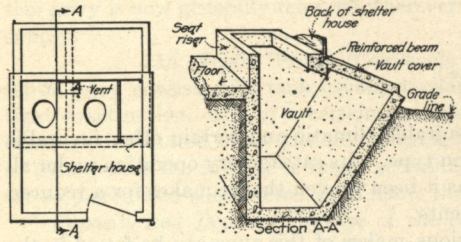


FIG. 9.—Shallow vault type privy.

1g. Double Compartment, Alternating Use, Shallow, Water-tight Vault Type.—This type of privy must always have two or more seats, each provided with a separate vault of sufficient capacity to allow for a six months' or longer rest period for the vault deposits, which is accomplished by alternating use. The fecal deposits are thus seasoned, making the final disposal of the residue less dangerous and objectionable. The alternating method of use to promote the seasoning of the vault contents still is in the experimental stage. Experience with park, fair-grounds, and similar vaults unused for a considerable time (often six months or longer), has demonstrated, through the rest period thus gained, that the objectionable odors usually prevailing in and around the vaults can be to a large extent eliminated.

This type of privy should be operated as a dry vault, which can be done by covering each deposit with dry earth, lime, or ash, or a mixture of either of these, or it may be operated as any other common vault. It should be understood, however, that the vault has a limited capacity, and that its contents in either case must therefore be removed more often than is necessary with larger vaults.

Operation Precautions.—Nothing but fecal deposits, toilet paper, or earth, lime, or ashes used for covering deposits should be allowed to enter the vault, and an adequate quantity of this material should be used to maintain the vault in a semi-dry state. Before the vault has been used, and after its cleaning, a layer of horse manure 2 in. thick should be placed on the bottom of the vault, and this followed by a layer of dry earth mixed with lime to a depth of 2 in. This will aid materially in the decomposition of the contents. The resting compartment must not be used during the seasoning period, and effective vault ventilation must be maintained.

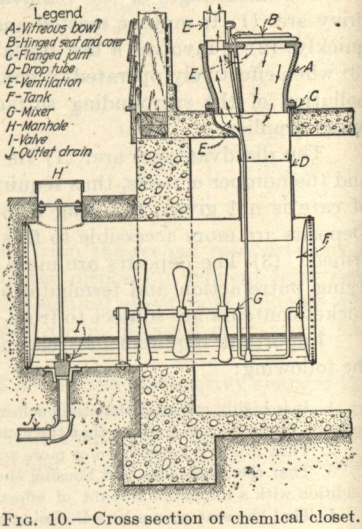


FIG. 10.—Cross section of chemical closet.

2. Chemical Closets (*Type: Bowl and Tank*).—A chemical closet system consists of a vitreous china, trapless bowl, equipped with a hinged seat and cover, similar in design and dimensions to the railroad coach bowl. It differs from the modern water-flushed bowl in its design, is larger, and lacks the water-sealed foul-air-excluding trap.

The urinal in the chemical closet as now constructed is of the lip or trough type, and the trap is omitted similar to the water-flushed trough or lip patterns. Deposits in the bowl or urinal are conveyed through an untrapped metal tube or pipe to an iron tank and retained in a strong chemical solution for sterilization and deodorization. Removing of offensive odors emanating from the tank, bowl, urinal and room is sought by extending from these units a vent pipe of metal construction within the building and through and brought above the highest point of the roof.

Liquefaction and sterilization[1] of fecal matter and its deodorization are accomplished to a marked degree by the action of the caustic soda solution with which the tank is charged to about one-fifth of its capacity. Removal and recharging of the tank contents are required about every 6 mo. (Fig. 10).

Chemical closets, frequently defined as "waterless toilets," are still in the early stages of successful development. The degree of satisfactory service this type of closet will render depends, obviously, upon the specific conditions existing, as well as upon the type or make of the system, the manner of installation, its use by the individual, and the care given it. Like other types of waterless conveniences, chemical closets do not afford supplementary sanitary aids, such as running drinking water, bathing or washing facilities, and to this extent, where other conditions are equal, they are deficient when compared with water-flushed toilets, so far as they contribute to personal convenience, comfort, hygiene, and general sanitation.

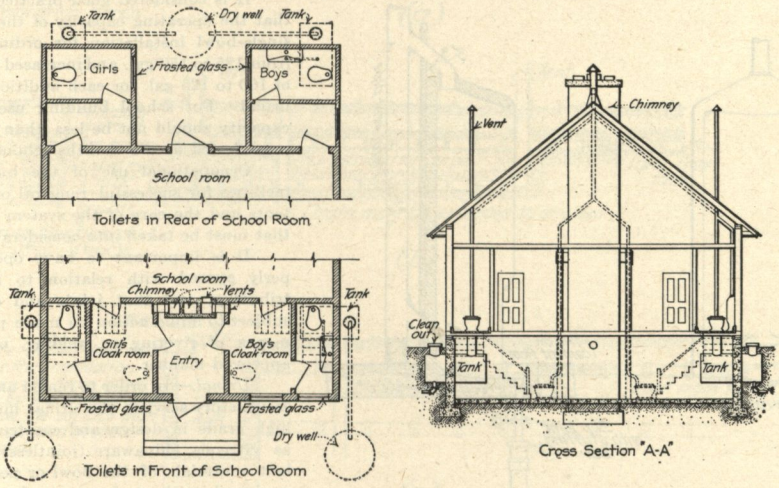


FIG. 11.—Chemical closet installation.

In localities where public water supply or sewerage systems are not available, or where an efficient private water supply system of the "compressed air storage" or "air pressure delivery" type or its equivalent cannot reasonably be provided and maintained, or where the lay of the land and character of the soil are such that the effluent from a sewage treatment tank cannot successfully be disposed of by one of the variously known methods, a chemical closet conforming with the minimum requirements outlined in this chapter may, in some instances, and under certain favorable conditions, give a degree of satisfaction.

The majority of states and smaller municipalities have no regulations prohibiting use of the chemical closet except where public sewer and water services are available. A few states grant permission to install such closets under permits, subject to rules and regulations. Character of the premises, kind of building, purpose for which it is to be used, type of system and method of installation are all taken into consideration in passing upon the approval of the installation. In granting permission the state or local governing body usually makes it plain in the permit that it does not assume responsibility for the satisfactory operation of the installation in whole or in part, and that it reserves the right to order the removal of the system should conditions dangerous to health arise through its use.

In order to insure a proper degree of comfort, safety, and sanitation, the installation should conform in every respect with the federal, state, and local requirements relating to (1) number

[1] Purification through the destruction of bacteria and other disease-producing organisms takes place in accordance with the degree of the phenol coefficient of the chemical solution, which is subject to deterioration resulting from fecal and urinal deposits.

and kind of fixtures, (2) "housing" design of enclosure, (3) standards of construction, (4) kind of materials for floor, walls, and partitions, (5) effective room ventilation through exterior windows and vent flues (as the case may require), (6) adequate light, (7) proper location with regard to convenience and privacy, and (8) its maintenance, as demanded by the special make of closet and appliances to be adopted (Fig. 11). In the main these essential requirements conform with those for water-flushed toilets.

The materials entering into the various units comprising the system, must be of proper design and durable construction, and so installed and maintained that the highest possible degree of efficiency is insured.

Tank.—The tank should be cylindrical or oval in form and be made of durable, best grade iron or steel, not less than No. 14 gage, thoroughly coated on the outside with tar or asphaltum, applied hot, or with other approved compounds. The exterior of the tank where not exposed should further be protected by two or more coats of burlap, each laid in hot tar or asphaltum, or some other efficient waterproof covering.

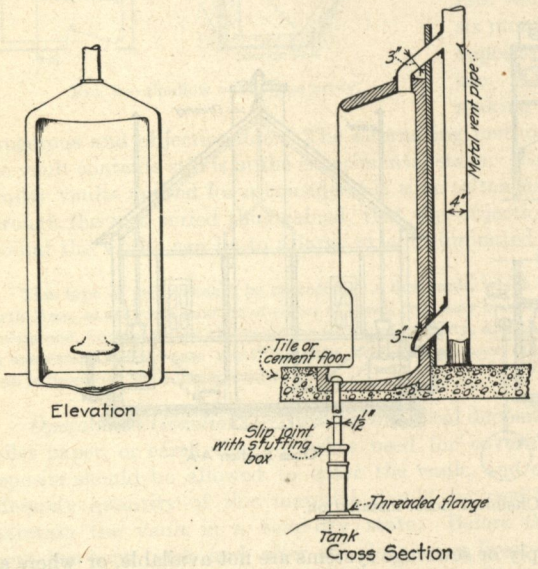


FIG. 12.—Details of urinal construction, rising from floor type.

It is considered good practice to require that the operating capacity of the tank for a single-bowl installation for ordinary use be from 125 to 150 gal. and increased in the ratio of 100 to 125 gal. for each additional bowl or urinal. For school building use, the tank capacity should not be less than 10 gal. per pupil based on a 9 months school period.

Occupational use of the building and facilities for successful removal of tank contents and the care of the system are factors that must be taken into consideration.

It is important to have openings properly spaced with relation to all fixtures tributary, and that joints and connections subject to liquid action be made properly by means of riveting or welding, or in other approved manner.

Urinal.—In order to render any degree of satisfactory service, the urinal must be of a high grade in design and construction, such as vitreous chinaware (jointless) or equivalent material, of the bowl or pedestal type equipped with a hand or foot operated cover, or as shown in Fig. 12, set flush with the floor and extend upward to a height from 4 to 5 ft. It should be provided with an integral lipped bottom, side shields, back, hooded top, vent and drain connections. The floor of the room should be graded towards and into the urinal. Care as needed and effective ventilation by means of a separate vent are essential.

Drop Tube.—The connecting or drop tube between the bowl and tank must be free from offsets. It is recommended that it be 11 or 12 in. in diameter and not more than 4 ft. long (shorter where practicable), and that it be made of substantial and durable materials capable of withstanding the eroding effects of urine. Materials with this qualification include copper, lead, brass, cast iron enameled on the inside, or some other non-absorbent, smooth finished and indestructible material.

The outlet from the urinal should be equipped with a removable bee hive strainer. Connecting drain materials must be of the proper kind, weight, and quality, as direct as possible, and the inside made accessible for the removal of stoppages where necessary by means of cleanout plugs properly placed (Fig. 12).

All waste carrying tank inlets should extend into the tank from 1 to 2 in. so as to convey urine directly to the chemical solution or the tank's liquid contents.

Ventilation.—The ventilating system should be so designed that it will prove effective under specific conditions. For a single fixture a pipe of 4-in. dimension or larger (and correspondingly large for additional fixtures), free from horizontal changes in direction, usually is extended within the building to the nearest high point of the building, carried through the roof two or more feet, and the vent terminal surmounted with an effective vent hood of the siphonic action type. Or if desired, forced ventilation by means of motive power or heater may be adopted.

The material and joints used for ventilating devices should be substantial and of a quality capable of withstanding the action of moisture and gases emanating from the fixtures and tank.

Certain basic factors in connection with the system are such that it is essential at all times to maintain ventilation through the closet bowl in addition to satisfactory ventilation of the intervening room, sometimes termed the "buffer" room.

Agitator.—The agitator, or tank contents mixer, must be of proper design and substantially constructed, and so located, designed, and installed that it may at all times be conveniently and effectively operated.

Joints.—Joints between the bowl and drop tube and between the tank and drop tube, and all other joints, should be made in a durable manner, air- and water-tight.

Valve and Drain.—The tank should be provided with an accessible water-tight valve controlling the outlet drain. Unexposed tanks should be equipped with suitable valves placed within the tank directly beneath the clean-out opening. In no case should the drain and valve opening be less than 3 in., and unexposed drain less than 4 in., nside diameter. Drain valves placed outside the tank should be of a size equal to the inside diameter of the

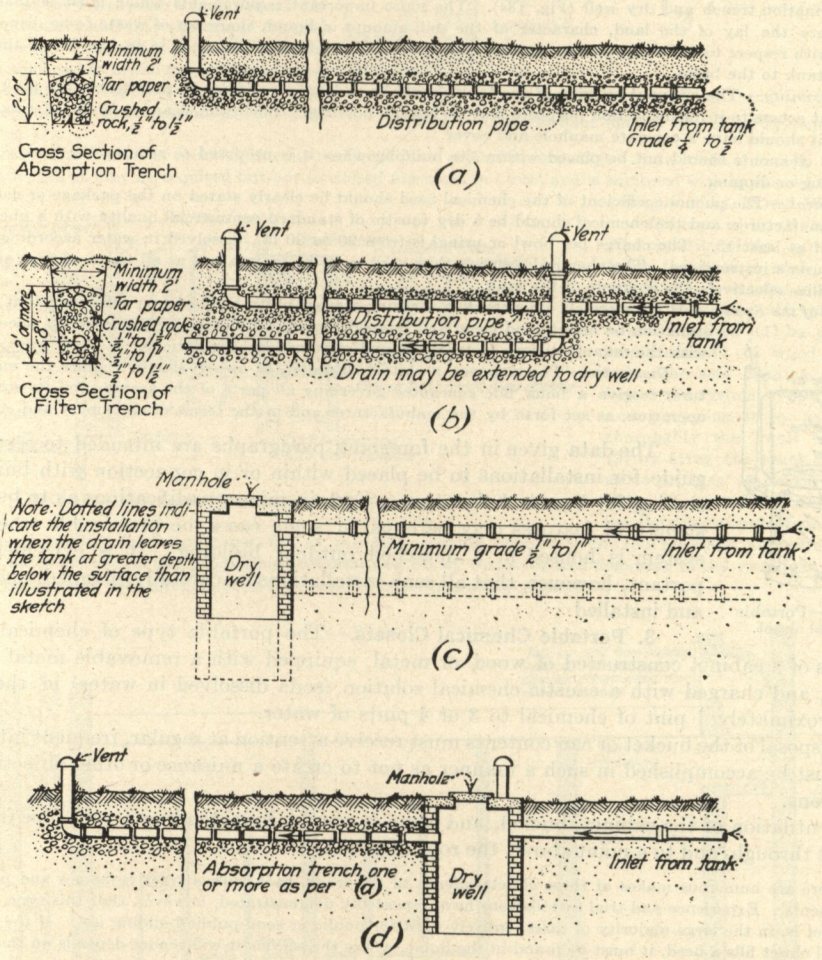


FIG. 13.—Disposal mediums for tank contents of chemical closets.

drain outlet. The drain should be attached to the tank by a flange properly riveted or welded to it, tapped and threaded for 4-in. screw pipe.

Protection from Frost.—The system must be so installed that any part affected may amply be protected against frost.

Disposal of Contents.—With certain limitations the disposal of tank contents may be accomplished through one of the following methods:

1. Pumping or dipping and hauling away, a process proven by experience in most instances to be impracticable and unsatisfactory from the standpoint of service and sanitation, except under certain very favorable conditions in the private home.

2. By means of a tile absorption trench (Fig. 13) or a combined strainer and absorption trench (Fig. 13*a*), properly located, designed, and constructed, filled with coarse gravel, crushed stone or similar material, and equip-

ped with a 6-in. or larger drain tile with joints ⅜ in. apart, laid at a grade of ¼ to ½ in. to the foot. The cubic contents capacity of the tile should be equal to the tank volume to be discharged. The period of satisfactory operation for a trench thus made depends upon the character of the soil and the amount of solids or suspended matter contained in the liquid waste discharged. Existing conditions relative to wells, springs, streams, or other sources of water supply, or likely to create objectionable situations, must all receive careful attention.

3. By discharging into a dry well or leaching basin (Fig. 13*b*) consisting of an underground chamber or well provided with a manhole and cover, walled up with material allowing the liquids to percolate through it, such as dry rubble or brick wrok. The capacity should be at least 2 to 5 times that of the tank contents volume. The lower limit is to be taken for clay or compact soil and the upper limit for sand, gravel, or equal soil, or by means of a combination trench and dry well (Fig. 13*c*). The more important requirements which must be taken into account are the lay of the land, character of the soil, amount of liquid, character of waste to be disposed of, location with respect to wells or other water supply sources, and grade (not less than ½ in. per ft.) of the drain from the tank to the basin.

Accessibility.—The cleanout opening of the tank should be so located, and where practicable the tank so encased, that access to it for inspection purposes may be readily possible. When the cleanout is placed outside the building, it should have a concrete manhole and cover.

Tank cleanouts should not be placed within the building when it is proposed to remove the tank contents by pumping or dipping.

Chemical.—The phenol coefficient of the chemical used should be clearly stated on the package or container of the manufacturer, and the chemical should be a dry caustic of standard commercial quality with a phenol coefficient of at least 15. The charge per bowl or urinal is from 20 to 30 lb., dissolved in water according to the manufacturer's instructions. The chemical solution thus used must be maintained at all times of such strength as to sterilize effectively the contents of the tank.

Care of the System.—It is extremely important in securing serviceability and sanitary efficiency that the installation be maintained clean and in good repair. It should be operated in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and state or local regulations.

Guarantee.—The engineer, architect, installer, or owner should require the manufacturer to give a bona fide guarantee governing all parts of the system and its successful operation, as set forth by the manufacturer and in the terms of agreement and contract.

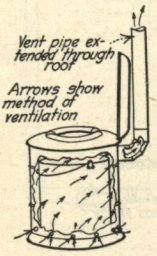


Fig. 14.—Portable chemical closet.

The data given in the foregoing paragraphs are intended to serve as a guide for installations to be placed within or in connection with buildings serving for human habitation. Certain minor modifications as to building structural features may perhaps, in some cases, be permissible where the system is housed in a detached outdoor building. It is extremely important, however, that all such installations be carefully planned, specified, and installed.

3. Portable Chemical Closets.—The portable type of chemical closet consists of a cabinet constructed of wood or metal, equipped with a removable metal can or bucket, and charged with a caustic chemical solution (soda dissolved in water) in the ratio of approximately 1 pint of chemical to 3 or 4 pints of water.

Disposal of the bucket or can contents must receive attention at regular, frequent intervals, and must be accomplished in such a manner as not to create a nuisance or other objectionable conditions.

Ventilation of the cabinet, bucket, and room is sought by extending a vent pipe from the cabinet through, and to a point above, the roof (Fig. 14).

There are numerous makes of these closets offered to the trade, each with attractive names and promising inducements. Experience and trial installations have repeatedly demonstrated, however, that this type of chemical closet is, in the large majority of cases, entirely unfit for public or semi-public building use. If the portable chemical closet fills a need, it must be found in the home, where the service it will render depends on the manner of installation and the regular care that it is likely the individual user will give to keep it in a proper sanitary condition. If permitted at all, its use therefore should be restricted to the private home or places where the same degree of intensive care is devoted to its maintenance.

4. Dry Closets (*Type: Heated Air Circulation and Burning Out of Vault Contents*).—The dry closet system as now designed, constructed, and operated may be defined as a sanitary appliance of questionable merit. It consists of a vault equipped with toilet seats, urinal, air ducts, dampers, heaters, etc., and is intended to dispose of urine and excreta by means of warm or heated air and periodical burning out of the remaining dry fecal matter. The satisfactory functioning of the system is subject to numerous conditions, including design, construction, materials, occupational use of the building, and the necessity of constant care in its operation.

Seat and Hopper.—These comprise a hinged self-closing seat fitted to an iron hopper of special design and construction, attached to a cast-iron plate mounted over a water-tight vault or duct (Figs. 17 and 18).

Urinal.—This consists of a stall rising from the floor, constructed of glass, slate, iron, or equally suitable and substantial non-absorbent material. The bottom of the stall has an open trough or gutter leading directly to the vault or into a ventilated water-tight duct terminating in the drying vault (Fig. 19). The floor of the toilet room should slope from all points toward and into the urinal trough.

Deposits.—The urine or fecal deposits made in the bowl or urinal are retained in the vault, the liquids evaporated, and dried solid matter disposed of by cremation, or "burning out" (Fig. 17).

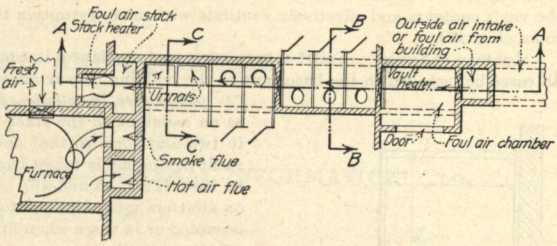


FIG. 15..—Typical floor plan of dry closet system.

Vault.—The vault is of water-tight construction, square or oval in form, 3 to 4 ft. in width, 4 to 5 ft. in depth, and of a length as may be required but not to exceed five seats in a run, and is equipped with drying decks and air passages (Figs. 18 and 19).

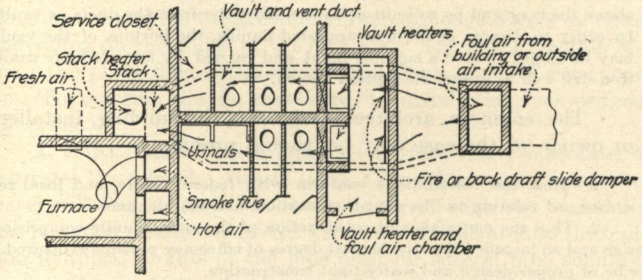


FIG. 16.—Alternative floor plan of dry closet system.

Disposal of Vault Contents.—The capacity of the vault or duct below the seats is such that the accumulating excreta must be removed at regular intervals. This is accomplished (1) by placing a small amount of wood directly below the seat opening (Fig. 17) before the system is put into use and operating it so as to dry thoroughly the vault contents; (2) by firing the stack heater so as to produce an effective draft (Figs. 15, 16, and 17), and saturating the dried excreta deposits with kerosene oil, starting the burning out fire at the seat opening nearest to the foul air stack, and adjusting air intakes, dampers, etc., as the process may require; and (3) by removing and disposing of the residue in a proper manner and placing the system in good repair and effective operating condition.

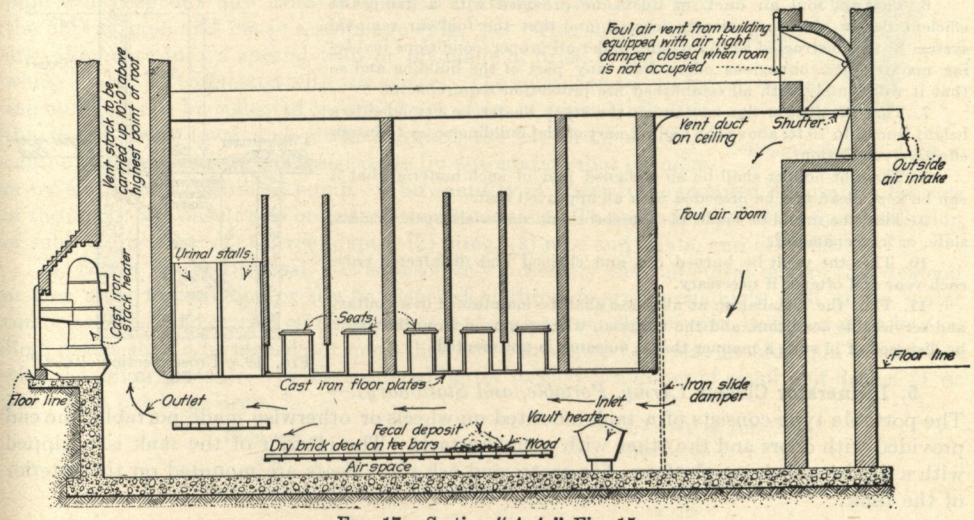


FIG. 17.—Section "*A-A*," Fig. 15.

Stack or Vault Heaters.—The system functions by means of air circulation, and is therefore dependent upon a large volume of warm air having a constant flow through the vault. To accomplish this a vent flue or stack of brick or equivalent construction is placed at the end of the "run" or vault, in the base of which an adequate fire

must be kept at all times while a deposit remains in the vault (Fig. 17). When air is taken from outside the building or where the foul air from the building is used and is not sufficiently heated, a vault heater is placed in the inlet end of the vault in which a fire is maintained for the purpose of heating the air to a degree necessary to dry the vault contents and effectively ventilate without interruption through the stack, vault, seat, urinal, and toilet room (Fig. 17).

Location of System.—Toilet conveniences and appliances in connection with this type of system must in nearly all cases be installed in the basement of the building (for arrangement consult Figs. 15 and 16).

Alternative Installation Details.—An adequate exhaust fan may be used as an assistant to the stack heater. If used without the heater it must be in two-unit form so that one can be kept in constant operation. When vault-drying air is taken from the outside, vault heaters must in all cases be used (Figs. 15 and 16). When air is taken from the building, dampers or shutters must be used to prevent back flow when the building is not occupied or in cases when fire in the heaters is not sufficient to maintain effective ventilation.

Where the room is of sufficient height, the horizontal inlet duct or flue may be placed above the basement floor. Where the basement is subject to water above or below the floor line, underground air ducts must be of water-tight construction and the vault placed at a sufficient height above the floor and be so built as to exclude water from the ducts or vault. In order to dispose of the unevaporated liquids, the bottom of the vault may be sloped toward a suitable point and carried by an adequate drain to a dry well or gravel absorption trench.

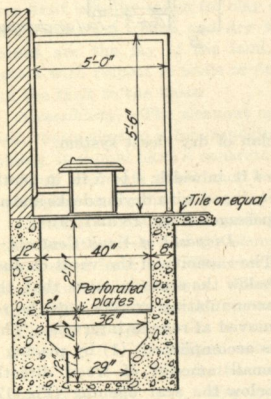


FIG. 18.—Cross section "*B–B*", Fig. 15.

The engineer, architect, designer of the building, installer, or owner, as the case may be, should provide:

1. That the installations conform with federal, state, and local requirement relating to "housing," sanitation, and maintenance.

2. That the materials and construction of the various units comprising the dry closet system be of proper design and so installed that the highest degree of efficiency possible is insured.

3. That the vault and conveyors be of proper design and water-tight construction.

4. That the cross section vault area below the seat hopper be of adequate capacity, at least 30% larger than the combined foul air conveying flues connected therewith, and that the open space below the grates be at least 8 to 10 in. in height.

5. That the foul air duct, stack, vault, and heater, or heaters, be of adequate capacity and that a fire be maintained either in the stack, or vault heaters, or heating system at all times when required, so as to insure proper ventilation.

6. That the foul air duct, or ducts, be provided with a damper of efficient design and conveniently located, and that the foul air removal system be so constructed as to exclude, under all proper conditions involving maintenance, obnoxious odors from any part of the building and so that it will comply with all established fire protection requirements.

7. That the duct or flue containing the stack heater be extended to a height from 8 to 10 ft. above the highest part of the building so as to insure effective ventilation.

8. The seat hopper shall be so designed and of such material that it can be kept clean and be provided with an approved seat.

9. That the urinal be made of non-absorbent materials such as glass, slate, or iron enameled.

10. That the vault be burned out and cleaned and disinfected twice each year and oftener if necessary.

11. That the installation at all times shall be maintained in a sanitary and serviceable condition, and the material, when removed from the vault, be disposed of in such a manner that a nuisance is not created.

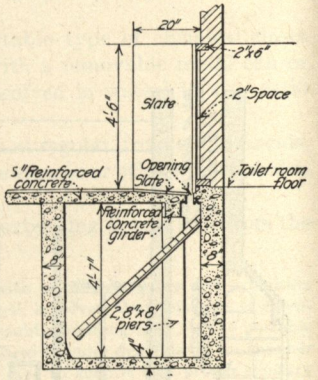


FIG. 19.—Cross section "*C–C*", Fig. 15.

5. Incinerator Closets (*Army, Portable, and Stationary*).—The portable type consists of a tank mounted on wheels or otherwise made portable, one end provided with doors and the other with a smokestack. The interior of the tank is equipped with a deposit-receiving platform, fire grate, and ash pit. Seats are mounted on the exterior of the tank.

The stationary type is similarly designed, constructed, operated, and maintained.

The market offers various commercial types similar in principle.

The practical utility of all closets coming under the scope of this heading is limited to certain specific conditions, and when located properly in the open can be operated with a marked degree of safety.

SECTION 5

PLUMBING AND DRAINAGE

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PLUMBING AND DRAINAGE—GENERAL INFORMATION[1]

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1. Main and House Sewers.—The main sewer is that part of the sewerage system which collects the sewage from the municipality or from a number of buildings and carries it away to the disposal plant or terminal. The main sewer generally runs through the steets or alleys at a depth of 9 to 12 ft.; it may, however, lie at a lesser or greater depth. There are branches and junctions placed for the accommodation of house sewers on either side of the street at intervals depending on the width of the lots, etc. The exact location of the outlets may be ascertained from the plans filed in the office of the Department of Sewers or city engineer, as the case may be. For specific details pertaining to installation, see ordinance provision in the chapter following.

2. Subsoil and Trench Drains.—Surface water percolates through the surface earth and saturates the subsoil. Unless taken care of and carried away from the site of the building, this water will find its way into the building through the foundation walls and floors. To avoid this it is good practice to install a subsoil drain all around the building at the level of the foundation footings. Joints of tile pipe used for subsoil pipe should be left open to allow the water to find its way into the bore of the pipe and thus be carried away from site. The refill above the subsoil pipe should be broken stone within 18 in. of grade. Six inches of straw should be placed on top of broken stone and then loam to the grade. With this refill, water can easily find its way into the subsoil pipe. A piece of tarred paper laid over each joint in the tile pipe will keep out any sand that might otherwise be carried into the bore of pipe and cause a stoppage (Fig. 1). The subsoil pipe may discharge into a special trap or pit made of brick or concrete which should be connected with the sewer. The subsoil water under the building can be collected in a pit by a series of pipes laid under the house drain level and pitched toward the pit, from which it can be pumped out into the house drain by automatic cellar drainers or by electrically controlled pump. The quantity of water to be pumped determines the size of the outfit. (Consult also ordinance requirements.) The essential points in the installation of subsoil pipes are: (1) Correct depth, (2) pitch, (3) pipe and joints, and (4) refill.

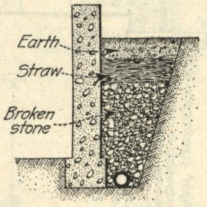


Fig. 1.—Subsoil drain.

3. Storm Water Disposal.—It is absolutely necessary that all storm waters that descend or flow upon the building or site be disposed of through proper channels. All storm water can be collected and carried off by means of roof drains, area drains, yard drains, or catch basins. Roof drains should be placed not more than 60 ft. apart, and the size should be in accordance with the following table. It is considered better to have a number of small roof drains (4 or 5-in.) than one large drain.

Diameter of pipe	Square feet of surface to be drained
4-in.	2,500
5-in.	4,500
6-in.	7,500
8-in.	13,600
10-in.	20,000

[1] For typical regulations and suggestions, see chapter following, beginning on p. 1256.

4. Roof Terminals of Rain Water Leaders.—The connection of the roof gutter with the roof drain, if on the outside of the building, should be a slip joint—that is, the tube which is

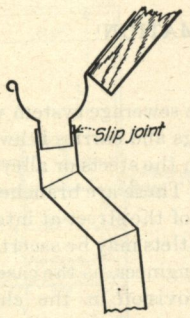


Fig. 2.—Sheet-iron pipe connection with gutter.

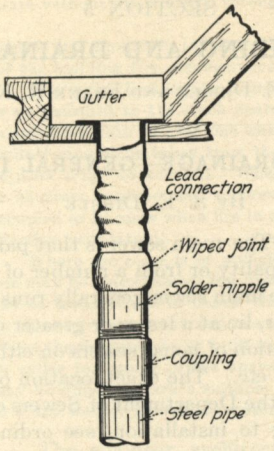


Fig. 3.—Storm down-pipe connection, steel pipe to roof gutter.

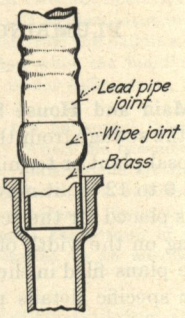
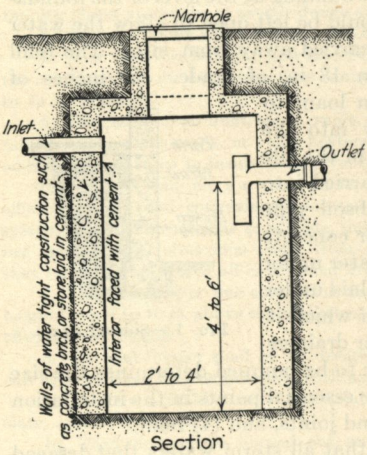


Fig. 4.—Cast-iron pipe connection with roof gutter.

connected to the gutter with a soldered joint should extend at least 7 or 8 in. into the roof drain. The material of the roof drain pipe when placed on the outside of the building may be galvanized iron or copper of round, square, or special shape, to correspond with the style of building. When the roof drain is located on the outside of the building and on any kind of passageway, the pipe material should be of cast or wrought iron for a distance of at least 5 ft. above the ground (Figs. 2, 3, and 4).



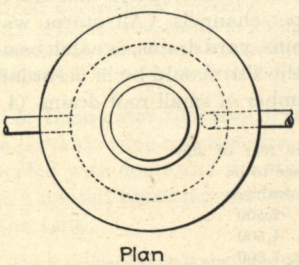


Fig. 5.—Catch basin.

When the roof drain is placed inside of the building, the roof joint connection may be made tight by using a flexible joint to allow for shrinkage or settling of the building or pipe. The material of pipe when placed inside of the building should be cast iron, wrought iron, or steel galvanized. If cast iron is used, the roof joint connection is made by using a piece of 8-lb. sheet lead pipe wiped onto a heavy brass ferrule which can be calked into the hub of the cast-iron pipe. The lead pipe end can be soldered upon the roof gutter material. The essential points for the installation of roof drains inside or outside of building are: (1) size of drain, (2) material of pipe, (3) connection with roof gutter, and (4) supporting pipe.

5. Yard Drain and Catch Basin.—The yard drains gather surface water and should be so constructed that they will not become easily stopped by sand and rubbish entering the basin and plugging the outlet. The size of the drain depends upon the number of square feet of surface to be drained. In estimating this surface, accounting should be made of adjoining property and land that will shed its water into the drain. A catch basin similar to that shown in Fig. 5 makes an ideal one for heavy use, also for a site where springs abound, and a light catch basin might be shifted around when the ground is full of water or frost.

Catch basins can be built of brick or concrete well cemented together and plastered on the inside surface. Heavy cast-iron cesspool drains are sometimes used, but they have the objection of being too small insofar as their water chamber is concerned, and frequently becoming stopped up.

6. Area Drains.—At their best, area drains are frequently foul parts of the plumbing system. It is customary to install a drain in every area way, and often no provision is made for cleaning out the area way with running water. Facilities for flushing with a hose should, therefore, be provided. When subject to frost, the drains for area ways should have a deep seal trap placed within the walls of the building. Unless the seal is deep it will be broken by evaporation. The bottom of the area way should be cemented and pitch toward the drain.

7. House Drain.—The house drain is that part of the sewerage system which connects the house sewer with the various branches that extend up through the building. It is generally located beneath the basement floor and has cleanouts extending flush or slightly above the floor level. Cleanouts should be placed at least every 30 ft. on straight runs and at every bend or change in direction of run of the pipe. When the basement floor is below the main sewer in the street, the house drain may be extended along the basement wall or suspended from the ceiling. Head room must be reckoned with when hanging pipe from the ceiling, and at the highest point the pipe may be near the ceiling, and at the lowest point, a distance, according to the developed length, figured at a grade of not less than ¼ in. per ft.

The size of the house drain where the main sewer is of the combination type depends upon the number of water outlets discharging into fixtures, type of fixtures and apertures, number of people in the building, and number of square feet to be drained of storm water. Generally, if the size is figured according to the storm water surface the pipe size will be ample to carry the discharge from the plumbing fixtures in the building. The pitch of the house drain should be ¼ in. to the foot. The material of which the pipe used in the house drain is made should be extra heavy cast iron, tar coated. Wrought iron or steel pipe, galvanized, can be used when the house drain is above the ground. Without doubt, cast-iron pipe is the best when used underground.

The layout of a building is often the reason for plumbing fixtures being located below the main sewer level. It becomes necessary under conditions of that kind to install a sump or tank, to which is connected a pump designed to raise sewage out of the sump into the main sewer. The sump and pump are connected with automatic control, which at a given level of sewage in the sump operates and starts the pump, also stopping the pump at the low level.

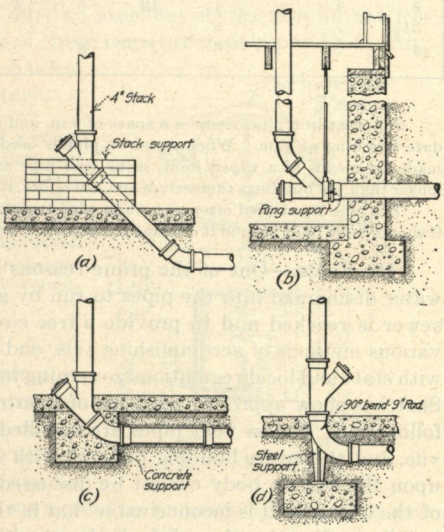


FIG. 6.

8. Waste Discharge Based on Water Consumption.—In the 50 largest cities in the United States, the per capita consumption of water ranges from 75 to 300 gal. per day.[1] The consumption per capita in a large hotel is about 100 gal. per day. The usage of this amount of water is spread over the entire day. The greatest amount will be used the first hour in the morning. About 50% of the total amount consumed will be used at this time. This 50 gal. is used as follows: Water-closet, 8 gal.; culinary department, 6 gal.; bathing, 32 gal.; washing equipment, 4 gal.

Knowing the maximum amount of water that will be used in any one hour of the day, the pipe size is figured by allowing 1 sq. in. in sectional area of the drain for each 2 cu. ft., or 15 U. S. gal. of sewage to be removed per minute.

The pipe should be large enough to carry away rapidly all solids, and yet small enough to be self-scouring; that is, the discharge should fill the bore of the pipe so that all surfaces of the bore will be flushed as the discharge passes through. The soil pipe should be securely fastened to the floors and walls. At the bottom of all soil stacks a cleanout should be placed. The stack should be supported at the bottom as indicated in Fig. 6.

Waste pipes should be installed that if occasion demands, they can be cleaned out their entire length.

9. Lead Waste Pipe.—Weights and sizes of lead pipe are shown in table. The eastern states refer to lead pipe as "E," "D," "C," "B," "A," "AA," "AAA," while the western

[1] See also chapter on "Water Consumption" in Sect. 2.

states refer to lead pipe as "Aqueduct," "Extra Light," "Light," "Medium," "Strong," "Extra Strong," and "Extra Extra Strong."

TABLE OF LEAD PIPE

Size (in.)	E		D		C		B		A		AA		AAA	
	Aqueduct		Ex. light		Light		Medium		Strong		Ex. strong		Ex. Ex. strong	
	lb.	oz.	lb.	oz.	lb.	oz.	lb.	oz.	lb.	oz.	lb.	oz.	lb.	oz.
⅜	..	8	..	..	11	12	1	..	1	8	2	..	2	10
½	..	10	..	12	1	..	1	4	1	12	2	8	3	..
⅝	..	12	1	4	1	12	2	..	2	8	3	..	3	8
¾	1	..	1	8	2	..	2	4	3	..	3	8	4	..
⅞	1	8	2	..	2	8	3	..	3	8	..	..	..	..
1	1	8	2	..	2	8	3	4	4	..	4	12	5	8
1¼	2	..	2	8	3	..	3	12	4	12	6	..	6	12
1½	3	..	3	8	4	..	5	..	6	..	7	8	9	..
2	3	..	4	..	5	..	7	..	8	..	9	..	10	8
2½	4	..	..	..	6	..	8	..	11	..	14	..	17	..
3	4	..	4	12	6	3	9	..	12	..	16	..	20	..
3½	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	15	..	18	..	..	..
4	5	..	6	..	8	..	10	..	16	..	22	..	25	..

2-in. cast-iron pipe occupies a space of 4 in. and a fitting 6 in.; therefore, a 4-in. partition would not accommodate this kind of pipe. When cast-iron pipe is used for a waste pipe, the connection between pipe and fixture is made by means of a wiped joint, using lead pipe and a brass ferrule. The life of cast-iron pipe is found to be longer than the buildings themselves and, therefore, it makes an ideal pipe for waste lines.

Tile pipe is not used often as a waste pipe except in some cases as a drain pipe for chemicals, and when so used it should have built around it a casing of reinforced concrete.

10. Vents.—One of the prime reasons for vents on a system of plumbing is to allow the water discharged into the pipes to run by gravity through the system of pipes until the main sewer is reached and to provide a free circulation of air throughout the system. There are various methods of accomplishing this, and the designer of the system should acquaint himself with state and local regulations governing in the locality where the building is to be constructed. Sketches show approved methods of venting (also see ordinance requirements in the chapter following). Unless vent pipes are installed with a system of plumbing, the conditions become vile, and the entire building polluted with sewer gas and drain air. The effect of this foul air upon the human body cannot be discussed here, but leaving the physical effect entirely out of the question, it is inconceivable hat in this age anyone would ask another to live or work in a building polluted with such foul odors or gases. A vent pipe is as important as a waste pipe.

11. Traps.—A trap is a vessel holding a body of water and so arranged on the waste pipe that sewer gas and drain air are prevented from entering the building through fixture waste. A trap has two resisting elements: (1) the amount of water in the trap; and (2) the depth of seal in the trap. It is the seal of a trap that makes it valuable. Unless proper venting is carried out, the seal of the trap can and will be broken by syphonic action or momentum. A deep seal guards these two points. The constant current of air passing through the vent pipe and waste pipes causes the water in the trap to evaporate. The amount of water in the trap guards these points.

The traps on the market today are made in various shapes and of different metals The value of a trap may be determined by comparing it with the following features which all sanitary traps should possess: (1) interior walls perfectly smooth, (2) maximum seal to resist syphonic action, (3) all parts exposed, no interior weirs, (4) cleanouts, (5) self-cleansing, (6) joints and unions.

Traps are placed in three distinct positions:

Trap connected directly underneath fixture	Lavatories, Bath tubs, Kitchen sinks, Trays
Trap cast in fixture	Water-closets, Slop sinks, Urinals
Trap set flush with floor or underneath floor	Floor drains, Shower stalls, Urinals, Storm drains, Area drains

In an unoccupied building the water is often drawn off to prevent freezing, and when for this reason the water is taken from traps, the latter should be refilled with kerosene which will not freeze and will seal the trap.

Non-syphoning Traps.—Years of experimenting have brought into use traps which resist, under favorable conditions, the action of syphonage. To these traps the name "non-syphoning traps" has been applied. A large variety of these traps is in use and under the present demands upon plumbing, may fill an actual need. A fixture set in the middle of the room offers no practical opportunity for the extension of a vent pipe to the ventilation pipe. Therefore, in some instances a non-syphoning trap may be used. The methods of manufacture for these traps are numerous. They perform, with certain important limitations, the function for which they are designed, yet the devices employed offer an excellent obstruction for the free passage of waste water. In time, therefore, the use of these traps becomes imperative. Any trap with an inside weir or partition or with a mechanical device to form the seal is today considered unsanitary.

Grease traps are a distinct type of trap. The function of a grease trap is to harden all grease which is discharged from the fixture connected to it before being discharged into the sewer. Cleanouts are so placed that congealed grease can readily be removed from the trap. Some types of grease traps are so made that the outside wall is a water-jacket and all water used in the kitchen must run through this jacket, thus keeping the trap cool and cooling all hot grease that is discharged into the trap (Fig. 7). The size of the trap is governed by the volume and temperature of the waste water tributary thereto.

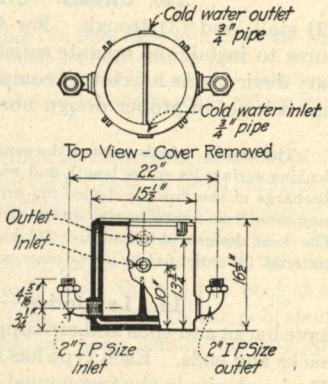


FIG. 7.—Grease trap.

12. Chemical Installations.—The big problem in chemical plumbing is the matter of waste pipes and waste pipe joints. The hot and cold water, gas, and air pipes require only special arrangement to supply the particular equipment of the individual laboratory. Lead pipe for waste in a chemical laboratory is the best waste pipe that can be had. Any connection in any position and to any material can be made by using lead and employing a lead burner to make joints and fit lead correctly. All joints on lead pipe are burned or fused by using a compressed air and hydrogen flame. This flame will not oxidize the molten lead, and is the only flame in use today that makes a perfect fusion of lead. The fusion of lead joints in this way makes the waste pipe one solid piece of lead, no other metal being used to come in contact with chemicals. Pure lead pipe of heavy gage is used. Fiber pipe has good points, such as the resistance of acids, and can be had in different sizes and lengths. The joining of pipes and lack of fittings make it hard to install.

13. Lead Burning.—The art of lead burning is not generally understood and therefore its good points are lost where they could be of great value. The mechanic who does lead burning is called a "lead burner." Lead burning is fusion welding. Hydrogen and compressed air flame are used for this fusion. Hydrogen is generally made in a generator on the job, sulphuric acid and zinc being used. Compressed air is obtained by means of hand pump and tank. Hydrogen can be purchased in a tank and used to advantage on small installations. Joints on lead pipes and lead-lined tanks can be made in almost any position. With a perfect neutral flame

and lead kept clean, a perfect fusion takes place while burning, and if the process is well done, the result is a tight, strong joint.

14. Plumbing Fixtures.—Plumbing fixtures should be located in a well lighted and ventilated room. When a single fixture is installed, it should never be in a dark part of a room and never in a closet. Fixtures must be so set that there will be at all times a circulation of air around them and daylight entering the room through side windows or ceiling lights. The material of plumbing fixtures must be of nonabsorbent nature, smooth surfaced, and sufficiently strong to withstand hard wear.

14*a*. Water-closets.—Every closet bowl should be flushed by clean water either automatically or by hand. Materials of bowls are iron-enameled and earthenware. The latter presents the more sanitary surfaces. Flushing of bowls with water is essential. All exposed interior surfaces must receive a thorough flushing after use.

There are two methods for flushingb owls: (1) by use of closed or open tank, and (2) by direct pressure using slow operating (flushometer) valve. To flush bowl thoroughly, scour it and refill trap, an amount of water equal to from 3 to 7 gal. being used, depending upon the type of bowl and flushing medium.

To carry off local bowl odors there is provided in some makes of bowls a connection called a local vent. This can be extended, using sheet metal pipe, to a draft flue, or connected with a duct to which is attached a fan for positive draft. All groups of toilets should be provided with a positive agency for disposing of local odors.

Essential factors in water-closets are: (1) Design and materials, (2) flush, (3) maximum water surface, (4) minimum fouling surface, (5) size of trap, throatway, and outlet, and (6) amount of water required to produce effective flush.

14*b*. Urinals.—Urinals may be divided into three classes: (1) wall fixture, (2) stall, and (3) trough. For the owner, urinals present one of the most disagreeable fixtures to install and operate satisfactorily. The wall fixture is at its best a somewhat unsanitary device. As a fixture it completely performs its functions of flushing and discharging waste, but it is not of proper design nor large enough to completely handle all necessary conditions.

The trough urinals present the same objections, while the stall urinal 3½ to 4 ft. high and 2 ft. wide, with a flushing surface its entire length and width, is nearest to ideal and should be selected for installation. With each discharge of the flushing device the urinal should receive a thorough flushing with clean water. This discharge may come from a tank having intermittent flushings or by means of a flush valve, operated by hand when necessary. The best designs of urinal are: (1) having complete flushing of surfaces exposed, (2) made of a nonabsorbent material, (3) entire fixture in one piece, and (4) provided with effective local ventilation.

14*c*. Lavatories.—Lavatories may be divided into two classes: (1) types which have backs and ends and are supported from walls, and (2) those on pedestal and which have no backs and ends. Each type has numerous styles and can be assembled to fit any desired space. The lavatories in the first named class should be used where the walls of rooms are of an absorbent material. The pedestal lavatories are used in rooms having tiled walls and floors. Any style faucets and waste can be fitted to please the owner. The materials of which lavatories are made are cast-iron enameled, vitreous, and earthenware. All these meet with sanitary requirements if correct manufacture is carried out.

14*d*. Bath Tubs.—Bath tubs may be classed as *built-in* and *portable*. The built-in tub is finished with an apron on one, two, or three sides, brought down flush with floor and walls. The portable tub sets on legs or base and at a point about 2 in. away from the walls. Tubs can be fitted with numerous kinds of waste and supply trimmings. They are manufactured in standard sizes in lengths of 4½, 5, 5½, and 6 ft. over all, and 30 in. wide.

14*e*. Showers.—Showers are divided into three groups: (1) receptor, (2) stall, and (3) tub. The receptor shower is set flush with or on top of the floor and receives the discharge from shower spray; a curtain around the spray confines the water to the receptor. The receptor is connected with the waste pipes the same as in a bath tub. The stall shower can be fitted with any desired spray and placed in a stall of marble or slate about 3 by 4 ft. square. The floor of the stall should be of cement or tile and slope toward the waste outlet. Under this floor should be placed a lead pan, built in, to catch and drain off any leakage through the

floor. The tub shower is a set of sprays set above the bath tub, with the tub acting as a receptor.

14*f*. Sinks.—Sinks are numerous in design, and almost any desire on the part of the owner can be fulfilled. Kitchen sinks can, for example, be had: (1) with flat rim; (2 roll rim; (3) back, end and sink in one piece; (4) sink and backs separate; (5) without or with drain boards; (6) enameled iron; (7) earthenware, white, brown, or yellow; (8) soapstone; and (9) combination of sink and wash tubs. Other sinks, such as cast iron for basement use and slop sinks for cleaners' use, have sizes and shapes to fit all needs.

14*g*. Special Types.—Fixtures of special types can be had to accommodate various buildings. Hospital fixtures should receive careful study, as every hospital has needs peculiar to its demands. Kitchen equipment that connects with waste pipes in hotels and restaurants are all special and should receive careful study.

15. Securing and Hanging of Fixtures.—Securing and hanging marble, slate, and soapstone fixtures are given too little thought. These fixtures must be set very rigidly. The material should set into the walls and floor about 2 in.; and all stops, hinges, and brackets should have at least two holes and bolts to hold them firmly. Fixtures of these materials should not depend upon the wall brackets for entire support but should have a support extending to the floor.

Iron enameled ware may be hung from the wall by means of concealed brackets and hangers. The concealed hangers are flat pieces of cast iron designed to be secured to the woodwork back of the plaster; therefore, before plaster is put on, solid woodwork should be securely fastened into building material to provide anchorage for enameled ware fixtures. Enameled ware is easily secured to waste pipes and usually no trouble is experienced in making water- and gas-tight connections.

Earthenware fixtures should be supported from the floor. In making this ware tight with the waste pipes, only those connections which do not depend in the main upon putty or slip joints should be used.

Vitreous ware is becoming more popular for plumbing fixtures as it presents a very hard surface. It will stand tests of great severity and is not as heavy as earthenware. Vitreous is harder than earthenware and will not chip as easily as iron enameled.

16. Swimming Pools.—Swimming pools interest the plumbing trade insofar as supplying water and waste pipes, also lead lining, are concerned. The tank needs to be so constructed that it will be water-tight. Every such pool should be supplied with a gutter or overflow all around the tank interior to carry off the scum and surplus water. To supply the tank with water at the right temperature requires a heater which will circulate the water in the tank and through the heater at the same time. The water should enter the tank or pool at the top, circulate through the tank and leave the pool at the bottom. If possible, the pool should be provided with two outlets and inlets on each side. Modern pools usually are equipped with water purification appliances.

17. Hot Water Consumption and Heating Mediums.—Equipment for hot water service is chosen generally for the needs of each particular building. After the quantity of water to be used per hour has been estimated, the necessary equipment may be chosen. Upon the demand and the service required depends the kind of equipment to be installed. If 500 gal. of water needs to be heated and drawn within 1 hr. of the day, an equipment is installed entirely different from that required if this amount of water is spread over a period of 10 hr. The various agencies for heating water are: (1) coal, (2) gas, (3) steam, (4) solar, and (5) electric (for small quantities).

Coal.—Domestic coal fires such as the range and furnace and similar heaters, may be equipped with a brass or wrought-iron coil or cast-iron water-back to heat water. In the case of the range, a cast-iron water-front is placed in one side of the firebox, which will supply sufficient hot water for one sink, one wash tray, one bath tub, and one lavatory when connected with a 40-gal. boiler. A cast-iron water-front will heat a 40-gal. boiler within 1 hr., while a brass coil placed in the same position will heat 40 gal. within 40 min.

When a coal stove or heater is used as a separate heater for hot water, a large tank should be used for storage. To determine the size of the storage tank for a building, it is necessary only that the number of outlets that are to be opened in a given period, say 1 hr., be noted; their total discharge will indicate the necessary number of gallons

that must be stored in the hot water tank. The greatest amount of hot water used in the ordinary building or dwelling will be drawn the first hour in the morning. Each person in the dwelling will use in the first hour 2 gal. of hot water in the lavatory, and, if a bath is taken, 30 gal. more. In the kitchen, 5 gal. will be used per person, making a total of 37 gal. of hot water per person for the first hour in the day. With five persons in the family, the required amount of hot water will be 185 gal.—almost a prohibitive amount for a storage tank in a dwelling. Deduct the 30 gal. for hot bath and add 2 gal. to use in the lavatory and the amount required will be 45 gal. per person per hour, which is about the correct amount used and allowed for. The foregoing example illustrates how the necessary quantity of hot water required may be determined.

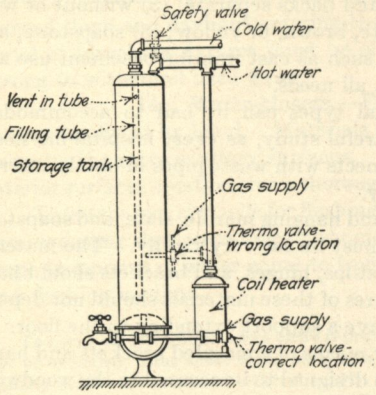


Fig. 8.—Storage tank with thermostatic control and gas heater.

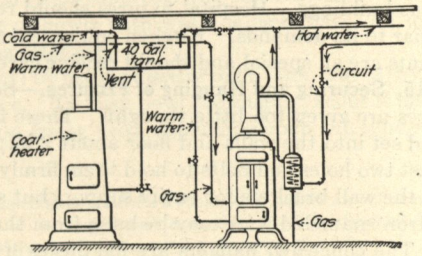


Fig. 9.—Instantaneous gas heater (in conjunction with coal heater).

Gas.—Gas used as a fuel for heating water for domestic purposes is very efficient if copper coils are utilized. Gas is used to good advantage in a storage tank heater. Gas keeps lighted until the tank is full of hot water, then automatically shuts off. Gas is also used in instantaneous heaters which supply hot water at the rate of 4 to 8 gal. per min., and will raise the water 50 deg. while it is running through the copper coils. The best method of installation for an instantaneous heater is to equip it with a booster connection and circulate the water (Figs. 8 and 9).

Solar Heat.—In some parts of the country, water is heated for domestic use by means of solar heaters, the heat being derived from the sun's rays directed through glass on to pipe coils and tank. Such systems are becoming increasingly common on the Pacific coast for residential hot water purposes. The method is satisfactory for small installations.

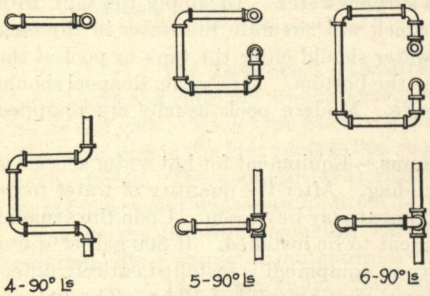


Fig. 10.—Expansion loops.

Tanks.—Tanks used for the storage of hot water are made of galvanized iron and steel, black iron, or copper. The latter makes the best installation. Galvanized iron or steel is used on small installations and black iron is used on large installations.

Circulation.—Circulating systems are used in most installations where good service is essential. This system provides for a pipe to be run from source of hot water direct to fixture or group of fixtures, also for a pipe from fixtures back to source of hot water. This allows hot water to circulate through the pipes and hot water is continually at hand within 2 ft. of the faucet.

Expansion must be allowed for in all hot water lines of pipe, either by swing joints or loops. Fig. 10 shows some types of expansion joints which may be used. These joints are made from fittings and pipe used in piping systems.

Thermostatic control of temperature of hot water should be arranged on every system. The saving in cost of fuel will soon pay for the installation of the equipment. The correct location of the thermostatic control is the first point to consider. Where storage system is used, the thermostatic member must be located at a point in the storage tank that will allow the full

capacity of the tank to be heated. Fig. 8 shows the incorrect location (dotted lines) of thermostatic control and the correct location (full lines). This equipment is fully as efficient in the saving of coal by regulation of drafts as it is in the saving of gas. The location of the thermostatic member in an instantaneous gas heater should not be in the hot water coils or next to the gas flame, but should be regulated by the temperature of the water as it leaves the heater. In storage systems where steam is used to heat water, the thermostatic control should be located away from steam pipes.

18. Cold Water Consumption, Valves and Piping.—One of the first functions of water supply to plumbing fixtures is to flush properly and cleanse the fixture after use. Fixtures which are not so designed as to distribute the supply of water over its surface are soon cast aside and replaced by fixtures which will more efficiently use the water supply to cleanse the surfaces. The water supply of a building must, therefore, be in such quantities and under such pressure that all fixtures on all floors will have at all times ample supply to meet properly the demands made upon any one or all of the fixtures.

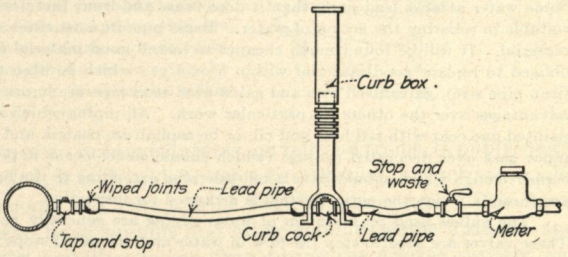


FIG. 11.—Typical water service pipe.

Main or Service Pipe.—Under the plumbing equipment of a building comes the installation of a supply water main, or what is known to the trade as a service pipe. The plumber must attend to the necessary permits before the service pipe is laid. The permits required are as follows: (1) permit to excavate street; (2) agreement to pay for all water used, which must be signed by the property owner; (3) permit to tap main pipe. For ordinary dwellings a ½-in. tap is put in by the water company or municipality, as the case may be, and a service pipe not smaller than ¾ in. should extend into the building. The service pipe must be laid below the frost line. The necessary valves, etc., required on every service pipe are clearly shown in the accompanying sketch (Fig. 11). The essential points to be considered in the installation of the service pipe are: (1) permits, (2) size of service pipe, (3) lead connection, (4) location of valves, (5) pressure carried in main, and height of building, (6) quantity required for a given period, and(7) protection against frost.

Trench.—The trench for the service pipe must be made at right angles with the curb line. The trench is started 2½ to 3 ft. wide at the top and is tapered down to a point below the level of the frost line. It is not necessary to open a ditch the entire length of the service pipe except in the street where the entire section of street must be dug full depth. On private property, character of soil permitting, the ditch may be 10 ft. long, then 10 ft. can be tunneled; then 10 ft. more opened and 10 ft. tunneled, until the entire length is covered.

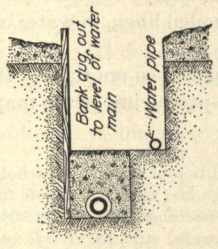


FIG. 12.—Refill of sewer and water trench.

The refilling of the trench is an operation which should receive more attention. Too often it happens that after a trench is refilled a number of barrels of dirt are left over and carted away. The result is that after a few months, perhaps after the building is completed and in use, and walks laid over the trench, the earth will settle in the trench causing the walk to cave in. The refill of a trench should use all of the dirt taken out, and will do so if water is used to settle the dirt, or if 6 in. of dirt is thrown in and tramped, and then 6 in. more added until the trench is filled. In some cities the contractor is not allowed to refill a trench without having present a city inspector. To save excavation the water service may run in the same trench as the sewer pipe if the trench is dug similar to that shown in Fig. 12.

Stops, Valves, and Piping.—The valves necessary on a service pipe into the building are: (1) brass stop at tap, (2) brass stop at curb, and (3) brass stop and waste located inside the foundation wall. These valves are in such a position that their replacement involves expense and difficulty; therefore the best materials should be used. The valves underground should be

surrounded with well tamped earth, and care should be taken to see that valves are in an upright position.

Every fixture or isolated group of fixtures in a building should have a separate supply pipe extending from basement main to faucets. The main in the basement should be located on that side of the building which has the most fixtures. All risers should extend up through the building on inside partitions, and where possible should run in prepared chases with removable front. All water pipes in a building should be grouped together as much as possible and every riser should have a separate shut-off.

Material for exposed and concealed water pipe varies according to the action of water upon the material. Some water attacks lead more than it does brass and iron; therefore it is best to install piping which is especially suitable in resisting the action of water. Brass pipe in most cases will last longer as a water pipe than any other material. It will be found much cheaper to install good material for water pipes in the first instance than to be obliged to replace good material within 5 or 6 yr., which is often the case. Lead pipes extra strong, brass pipe (iron pipe size), galvanized iron and galvanized steel pipe are in use under all conditions, and each material has its advantages over the others for particular work. All piping which is concealed in cinder fill or concrete should be painted one coat with red lead and oil, or be asphaltum coated, and then covered with tarred paper. When water pipes pass over decorated ceilings (which should never occur if possible to avoid) they should run in a lead or copper trough which should have a tell-tale pipe extending to the basement. The best installations of water pipe are those in which the entire system is arranged for inspection.

The valves used on a system of water piping are generally gate valves, compression, globe, and plug cock. These valves are used to stop the flow of water and are called stops; when provided with a waste port to drain the piping from which the pressure has been shut off, they are called stop and waste cocks. Valves should neves be placed in a line of pipe in such a position that they cannot be taken out and renewed. There are numerous maker of valves in as many different weights but of the same size. It is well, therefore, to specify the weight of valve to be used. Valves which control the water pressure to fixtures should be so placed in the system of piping that they can easily be reached at all times.

Water Hammer.—The pounding noise sometimes heard in water pipes, known as water hammer, is caused (1) by a loose packing, stems or working parts in a valve or faucet vibrating as the water passes through it, or (2) by self-closing cocks not properly fitted. There should be at each end of the water pipe lines an extension of pipe about 2 ft. long and capped so as to form an effective air cushion.

19. Hygienic and Some Service Features of Bubbling Fountains and Other Drinking Devices.[1]—Bacterial diseases may be transmitted by water and drinking devices. That this may be better understood and the responsible factors linked together and both studied from the viewpoint of disease prevention, the following important factors are presented.

Bacterial Diseases.—Any disease which is caused by bacteria can be passed along to someone else provided a means of transfer is afforded. As an illustration, tubercle bacilli may be conveyed by the spray from one who is coughing, by dust or by handshaking. Typhoid baccilli may be passed from one to another by handshaking, by contact, or soiled linen, in water or food.

Water.—What part does water play in carrying germs from one person to another? In order to answer this question it will be necessary to consider how disease-producing germs may get into water or on utensils used in conveying the water.

Drinking waters are classified as safe or unsafe, the former being free from the addition of sewage, household and industrial waste, or other pollution. All surface water in areas of human habitation are, as a rule, unsafe for drinking purposes without some sort of treatment. Springs which are fed by surface washings, and particularly those which emerge at the foot of hills, are also liable to become polluted. Shallow wells, streams, rivers, and lakes, which receive water from surface drainage, are as a rule not safe to drink without treatment.

Water and Bacterial Diseases.—The water supplied from such wells is apt to be highly polluted, containing a large number of bacteria and other objectionable material. The surface washings and underground seepage which find their way into such a well, drain directly or indirectly from outhouses, barns, and other refuse.

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Disease-producing bacteria are thus conveyed into the water supply. People drinking and using water so polluted are very frequently troubled with diarrheal diseases, typhoid fever, and other intestinal and digestive complaints.

Drinking Devices.—As a result of the concentration of people in cities, public buildings, places of employment, schools, parks, etc., the danger of the transmission of diseases caused by bacteria is greatly increased. The spread of disease is not wholly confined to the water at its source of supply, but depends frequently upon the means by which each individual obtains a drink.

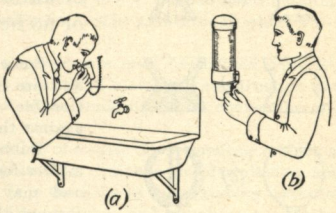
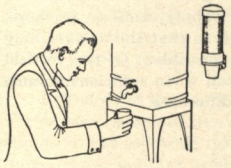


FIG. 13.

The water supply, when polluted at its source, is usually responsible for the spread of such diseases as typhoid, cholera, and dysentery. Other diseases, syphilis, tuberculosis, diphtheria, tonsilitis, and pneumonia, are frequently spread not by the water but by the depositing upon drinking devices of mouth secretions and sputa of people who are carrying the germs which cause these diseases. The old common drinking cup still is one means by which these diseases are frequently spread.

Common Drinking Cup.—In factories, in railroad stations, on railroad trains, in public parks and public buildings where not prohibited, it is the rule to see a tin cup tied to the water cooler (Fig. 13), and everybody is invited to come and have a drink from the same cup. This cup is used by the sick and well; by those who have syphilis and other communicable diseases, and by those who have not. The man with syphilis at some time during the disease usually has sores in his mouth. These sores grow from small ulcers in the throat and mouth to large ulcers which involve the inside of the cheeks, the gums and the tongue. The sores are open, that is raw, and the saliva and secretions from the mouth of such a person carry the germ which causes syphilis. When he or she drinks from the common drinking cup, there is deposited around the side of the cup saliva from the mouth. Sometimes indeed the cup dips into or rubs sores, and some of the dead tissue always lying loosely on the surface is left on the side of the cup. The next person who drinks puts into his or her mouth the same cup, rubs the infected surface maybe on a crack in the lip or a small sore on the tongue, and, as a result, acquires syphilis. This illustrates how the common drinking cup often serves to transfer disease from one mouth to another.


FIG 14.

Individual Drinking Cup.—In order to stop this means of spreading disease, many new and ingenious methods have been devised. Individual drinking cups of various types made of paraffin paper are frequently seen. These individual cups are the very best means afforded to obviate the dangers of the common drinking cup, and are inexpensive. Not a few public water fountains have a special mechanical device for distributing paraffin cups. This device consists of a long glass tube, which, after being filled with cups, is set into a container provided with a simple mechanism which is operated by a small lever on the side, delivering a cup at each operation (Fig. 14).

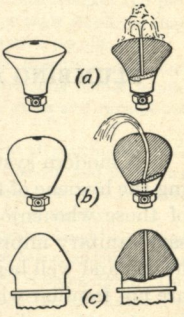


FIG. 15.

Bubbler Fountain.—Another popular way of supplying drinking water in public places is through the bubbling fountain. The fountain flows continuously or is supplied with a hand-operated control valve. The object of the bubbling fountain is to supply each individual with a drink without the necessity of bringing the lips in contact with the drinking device. Therefore, if the fountain meets these requirements, the stream must bubble high enough so that the water can be drunk without the lips coming in contact with the bubbler head (Fig. 15*a*).

There are various types of these bubblers. Nearly all of them deliver the stream of water in a vertical direction. A later type of bubbler delivers the water at an angle of about 45 deg. (Figs. 15*b* and 18).

A recent make, "Vertico Slant," delivers the stream at an angle of 8 deg. (Fig. 19). The

special sanitary feature of this type lies in the slanting stream. This hygienic feature is intended to prevent contact of the mouth and bubbler devices. Some fountains are constructed so that the water stagnates inside the bubbler head (Fig. 16*c*). This is considered an objectionable eature. In other styles the fountain is constructed with a bowl which retains water and frequently the individual drinks from a pool of water which has furnished many others with a drink. This is little or no better than the common drinking cup (Figs. 16*a* and 16*b*).

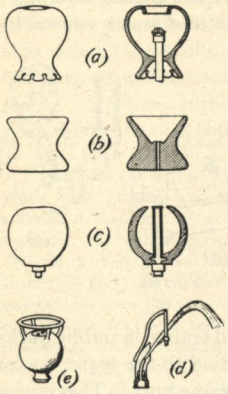


FIG. 16.

Some types have been constructed to give a flow at an angle from the bubbler and are equipped with a guard on the side (Fig. 16*d*). This guard may be objectionable. Many who attempt to drink from this type of bubbler place the face against the guard. This affords a means for the spread of disease by contact.

Bubbler heads equipped with small pads of cotton or other material to act as a filter for the water are not satisfactory. The cotton collects bacteria and dirt, and may actually increase the number of bacteria in the water after it passes through the bubbler.

Portable drinking fountains are often found in public places where running water is not available. Fig. 17(*a*) illustrates such a type. A constant pressure sufficient to force the water the desired height above the bubbler head usually is not obtained in these fountains (Fig. 17*b*), and as a result the lips are often placed against the head of the bubbler in order to obtain a drink. Those bubblers of this type, having inadequate pressure, are perhaps but little better than the common drinking cup.

The individual drinking cup as already described in Fig. 14 should take the place of this type of drinking fountain.

The important considerations in operating bubbler fountains are adequate water supply, uniform pressure, and cleanliness. The pressure should be adequate to force the stream sufficiently high so that the drinker may "bite" the bubbling stream. The bubbler head should be of as plain construction as possible. Of the vertical stream type of bubbler, the mushroom head type is the most satisfactory (Fig. 15), and when sufficient volume and pressure of water are supplied the angle at which the stream bubbles makes little difference.

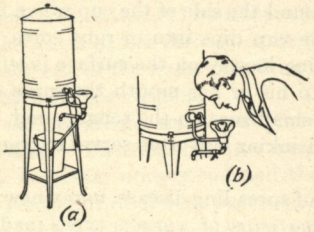


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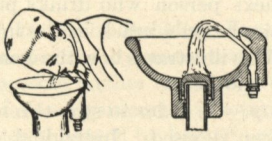


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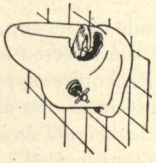


FIG. 19.

PLUMBING AND DRAINAGE—TYPICAL REGULATIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

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A modern system of sanitary plumbing is an influential factor in maintaining and extending the hygiene of the home, school, office, or industry, and contributes to the maximum comfort of those who enjoy its advantages. It is now recognized more than ever before as a necessary sanitary improvement. Conversely, insanitary plumbing installations are inimical to the health and well being of the public. It is considered necessary, therefore, to protect those who are not familiar with the principles of safe plumbing construction against incompetent or indifferent persons who, in the absence of official restrictions, might take advantage of such ignorance to design or install plumbing, water supply or drainage systems which may be a constant menace to health and comfort.

To this end, state and municipal regulations and ordinances have been enacted to guard against inefficient installations.

20. "Outside of Building" Regulations.—The following are typical requirements in a local plumbing ordinance capable of being applied to the average municipality. This measure de-

fines plumbing and drainage and covers such subjects as inspection and supervision, licensing, permits, fees, bonds, penalties, construction and materials of house drains from building to street mains, and other phases of the work. For plumbing ordinance requirements within the building, reference should be made to Art. 22 dealing with requirements of modern codes.

Plumbing Defined.—For the purpose of ordinances, plumbing may be defined to be the placing of all plumbing, water supply and drainage materials and appliances within any building and from 3 to 5 ft. outside of the building, and the construction and alteration of all pipes, faucets, tanks, valves and other fixtures by and through which water supply or waste or sewage is used or carried in any manner whatsoever.

Drainlaying Defined.—Drainlaying for the purpose of ordinance requirements may be defined generally to include the connecting of drains to the main sewers in streets or alleys, placing of materials, construction and alteration of drains, beginning 3 to 5 ft. from the foundation or area wall of the building, to its connection and the main sewer in the street, alley or other disposal terminal.

Inspection and Supervision.—The plumbing inspector, under the direction of a state department or municipal governing body, usually has control of the supervision and inspection of plumbing, drainage and drainlaying, and is required to enforce all laws, ordinances, and rules in relation thereto. It is the duty of the plumbing inspector to see that the construction, re-construction and alterations of all plumbing, drainage and plumbing ventilation installed in all buildings coming under the jurisdiction of the state or local regulations conform with the laws and ordinances and the rules and regulations laid down by the state or local governing bodies. When ordered by the state or local authorities, he is empowered also to inspect water services as to their depth below grade, manner of construction, materials and workmanship, replacing of earth, pavements and sidewalks, and to supervise public sewer work, sewer connections, and excavations made for the same.

Plumbing and Drainlaying Permits and Fees.—Under local ordinances, and sometimes under state regulations, no plumbing may be done, except in case of repairing leaks and stoppages, without a permit first being issued therefor by the inspector of plumbing and the payment of the proper fees. When necessary the applicant for a plumbing or drainlaying permit must file with the plumbing inspector a plan and specification showing in detail the work to be done. Before the inspector issues such permit he must approve the application and issue to the applicant a statement showing the fees to be paid for such permit. Upon presentation to the plumbing inspector of the proper receipt showing the payment of all legal fees, the permit is issued for the work set forth in the application.

Schedule of Fees.—The schedule of fees to be paid varies in different cities. A typical fee schedule follows: For each sewer connection and for the first 6 fixtures, 50¢ each; and for each additional fixture, 25¢. Such schedule applies to the following list of fixtures: Sinks, water-closets, baths of any description, soda fountains, refrigerators or ice boxes, sanitary bubblers, catch basins or similar receptacles, machine waste connections, acid tanks, sumps and ejectors, rain-water cistern connections, private sewage disposal plants, changes and alterations where inspections are necessary, and house drain, sewer, water, and fire protection installations when no plumbing fixtures are installed. In some places a flat rate is charged for water and sewer connections, based on the size of the pipes to be installed.

It is usually required that no plumbing or drainage of any character, except leakage repairs and stoppages, shall be installed unless a permit for the work has been issued by the plumbing inspector, and that no person shall interfere in any way with the work of inspection, or permit any plumbing or drainage to be used until it has been inspected and approved by the inspector, unless special permission is given by the proper authorities.

Plumbers' and Drainlayers' Licenses.—Most municipalities, and some states, require that no person, firm or corporation shall carry on the business of plumbing or drainlaying, or perform such work until licenses and permits have first been obtained as required by law or ordinance, except that property owners or their employes shall not be prohibited from removing stoppages in waste pipes or repairing valves or faucets without a permit.

Bond.—Those coming under the provisions of such ordinances are usually required to execute a good and sufficient bond, with two or more sureties, or an indemnity bond, to be approved by the governing bodies, conditional upon the faithful performance of all work in accordance with the laws, ordinances, rules and regulations governing the installation of plumbing and drainage.

Authority to Enter Premises.—The plumbing inspector should have power and authority at all reasonable times for any proper purpose to enter upon any private or public premises and make inspection thereof, and to require the presentation of the license and permit of any persons doing plumbing or drainlaying work. Anyone resisting or obstructing any lawful exercise of authority by the plumbing inspector is made subject to a penalty.

Notice for Inspection.—Whenever any work is ready for inspection the plumbing inspector must be notified by the plumber in charge or persons receiving the permit, as directed by the plumbing inspector, specifying the street and house number when possible, and the plan or permit number under which the work is being done. Unless otherwise specially permitted by the inspector, all work of plumbing or drainlaying must be left uncovered for examination and approval by the inspector. The plumber should make such arrangements as will enable the inspector to search all parts of the building readily, have present the proper apparatus and appliances for making the tests, and furnish all materials and perform all labor in making the tests.

Replacing Street Surface.—When opening any street surface or other public way, all material for paving or ballasting should be removed with the least possible loss of surfacing material, and, together with the excavated material, should be placed where it will cause the least inconvenience to the public, and all such materials should be so placed as to admit the free passage of water along the gutters. As little of the trench as possible should be dug until the slant or junction piece to the sewer is found. The backfilling should be puddled, and the paving and ballast replaced in as nearly the original condition as possible and to the satisfaction of the officials. When the

sides of the trenches will not stand perpendicular, sheathing and braces should be used to prevent caving. When caving occurs, all the street surface thus disturbed should be restored in the same careful manner as though it were an excavation or a trench.

Protection of Public.—Every plumber and drainlayer should enclose openings made in streets or public ways with sufficient barriers, and maintain red lights from sunset to sunrise, one placed at each end of openings in streets and the others at intervals of 10 ft. All necessary precautions should be taken to guard the public effectually from accidents or damage to persons or property from the beginning to the end of the work. Plumbers and drainlayers should be held responsible for all damages, including costs incurred by the municipality or owner in defending any action that may be brought for damages, and costs of any appeal that may result from any neglect of the plumber or his employes to take necessary precautions against possible injury or damage to persons or property.

Record of Drain Junctions.—The city engineer is usually charged with keeping a record of all sewer connections on maps showing their location and the position of all house drains, connections, and junctions, and presenting other necessary data. No person except licensed drainlayers should be permitted to tap or make connection with the general sewerage system or any part thereof. Such information as the municipality has with regard to the location of sewer junctions or slants should be at the disposal of drainlayers, but at their risk as to its accuracy. When in compliance with the measurements furnished by the municipality the junction is not found, a slant connection and one-eighth bend should be used, and such connection made under the direction of the plumbing inspector or other authorized official.

Drain for Each Building.—Whenever practicable, the sewerage and drainage system of every house orb uilding should be separately or independently connected with the street sewer, except that where a building stands in the rear of another on the same lot, the house drain from the front building may be extended to the rear building, barn, or private garage.

Size, Quality and Weight of Materials.—The drain pipe extending from the main sewer to a point within 3 to 5 ft. of the outside wall of residences of not more than two stories, should be constructed of 6-in. vitrified clay pipe or 4-in. cast-iron pipe, and in all other cases drains extending from the main sewer to the outside or to the area wall should be constructed of 6-in., or larger, vitrified clay pipe or of 6-in. extra heavy cast-iron pipe.

Defective or Inferior Pipe Prohibited.—Ordinances usually forbid the laying or connecting with any public sewer of pipes that are cracked, damaged, or of inferior make or quality, under penalty.

Grade of Drains.—All drains outside of the building from sewer to lot line and designed to receive solid substances, should have a grade of ¼ in. or more per foot if possible; and in no case should the grade be less than ⅛ in. per foot. Where the main sewer in the street has sufficient depth or where a lot is 3 ft. or more above grade line, the drain between the curb line and lot line may receive such greater inclination as in the judgment of the local officials may be deemed proper.

Drain Ends and Connections Guarded.—The ends of all sewer and drain pipes not immediately connected should be securely closed to prevent the introduction of sand or earth; and where the end of the sewer or drain pipe is connected with a temporary catch basin for foundation during the erection of any building or for other purposes, the drainlayer should guard the same against the introduction of sand or earth.

Construction of Joints.—All joints of sewer and drain pipes must be pointed carefully on the outside and the pipe left clean and smooth on the inside by drawing through it a swab or scraper. Along the entire length of the drain or sewer, the joints should be securely and completely bedded and covered in good quick-setting cement to prevent the escape of water, sewage or air. The mortar should consist of one part cement and two parts clean sharp sand which are to be mixed dry and wetted only in small quantities as used. The use of tempered cement in any case should be prohibited.

Change of Direction and Alignment.—All sewer and drain pipes should be laid carefully in a trench with perfect alignment where the bottom is trimmed to a perfect grade; and any deviation or change of direction from a straight run should be made by the use of proper curves and Y's. No sewer or drain pipes should be clipped where proper fittings can be used for change of direction.

Backfilling.—Backfilling should be made with due care and in a workmanlike manner, according to approved standards and methods, in order to prevent the settling of the drain or sewer.

Catch Basins and Receptacles.—All sewer and drain pipes which must be left open to drain cellars, areas, yards, drain pipes, or other places, should be connected with catch basins of brick, vitrified cement pipe, concrete, or other suitable substance, the bottom of which should not be less than 2½ ft. below the bottom of the outlet pipe. Every such catch basin or receptacle should be placed inside the line of the lot to be drained, and be properly trapped.

Old Pipe or Drain.—Whenever necessary to disturb a drain or sewer in actual use, it should not be obstructed or disconnected except by special permission of the plumbing inspector, and it is usually prohibited to make new connections with or extensions to any old drain without special permission of the proper authorities.

Drain When Obstructed.—Where the course of any sewer or drain is obstructed by water, gas, steam or other pipes or conduits, the question of passing over or under such obstruction or of the raising or lowering thereof so as to permit the construction and installation of the sewer or drain should be determined by a competent municipal official.

Permit to Connect During Freezing Weather.—In cold climates no opening in the streets for making connections with a main sewer is permitted when the ground is frozen except when in the judgment of the authorities such connection is absolutely necessary, and, if such permission is granted, the work should be done as directed by the official granting the permit.

Protecting Pipes Against Frost, Injury or Settling.—All water, sewer, drain, gas, conduits or other piping should be protected from injury, frost or settling to the satisfaction of the local authorities.

Protecting Sewers and Drains.—No person should permit any earth, sand or other solid material to enter

into any main sewer during the progress of any work in laying drains or sewers, making alterations, extensions or repairs to the same, or in connecting such drains or sewers with the main sewers.

Drains Conveying Industrial Wastes.—No factory, brewery, chemical plant, stockyards, slaughter-house, tannery or other structure should be connected by any drain or sewer with the main sewer, through which it is intended to discharge any offal, garbage, filth or other solid refuse or through which objectionable substances may be discharged into the main sewer, unless such installations are provided with approved treatment appliances. Premises should not be connected with any drain or sewer entering into a main sewer through which any obnoxious, explosive, malodorous or unhealthful liquids or substances may be discharged into the main public sewers.

Adequate Flush for Drains.—The connecting of water-closets with any drain or sewer unless means are employed for the abundant and adequate flushing of the same with clear water every time they are used, should be forbidden. Every such closet or similar appliance should be properly connected with an adequate water supply system, either public or private.

Steam or Hot Water "Blow-offs."—Exhausts or "blow-offs" from steam boilers or engines should not be connected with any drain or sewer, but should be discharged only into catch basins or an adequate cooling receptacle.

Penalty.—The following may be taken as a typical penalty provision. "Any master or journeyman plumber, drainlayer, property owner, or other person who shall willfully violate any of the provisions of this ordinance, or who shall install or allow to be installed any plumbing or drainage in this city (village) contrary to the provisions of this ordinance, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine of not less than $10, and not to exceed $50, or imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding 30 days for each and every violation thereof. Each day of such violation shall constitute a separate offense."

21. Explanation of Terms.—*Plumbing work* embraces all piping and appurtenances in connection with the drainage, ventilation, or water supply systems within, and to a point from 3 to 5 ft. outside, the building or other parts of the structure, and may include the water service and house drain piping and appliances to the mains in the street, alley, or other terminal.

House sewer or main drain is that part of the horizontal piping beginning 3 to 5 ft. from the foundation wall to its connection with the main sewer, cesspool or sewage treatment tank, or other disposal terminal.

House drain is that part of the horizontal piping of a house drainage system which receives the discharge of all soil, waste and other drainage pipes inside the walls of a building and conveys it to the house sewer, 3 to 5 ft. outside the foundation wall of the building.

Soil pipe is any pipe which conveys the discharge of water-closets with or without fixtures to the house drain.

Waste pipe is any pipe which receives the discharge of any fixture except water-closets and conveys the same to the soil pipe or house drain.

Main soil or waste vent is that part of the main soil or waste pipe above the highest installed branch or fixture connection, extending through the roof.

Vent pipe is any pipe provided to ventilate a drainage and plumbing system of piping and to prevent siphonage and back pressure.

Back vent pipe is that part of a vent pipe which connects directly with an individual trap underneath or back of the fixture and extends to the branch, main, soil or waste pipe at any point higher than the fixture or fixture traps it serves.

Unit vent is one which denotes an installation so arranged that one pipe will serve two traps.

Circuit vent is a connection made by joining a nearly horizontal trap outlet with a waste and vent pipe in such a manner that a continuous vent is formed.

Local vent is a pipe or shaft serving to convey the foul air from plumbing fixtures or room to the outer air.

Trap is a fitting constructed to prevent the passage of air or gas through a pipe without materially affecting the flow of sewage or waste water, and which is self-scouring.

Depth of seal trap is indicated by the height of the water column measured between the overflow and the dip separating the inlet and outlet arms of the trap.

Deep seal resealing trap of the centrifugal self-scouring type is a trap in which the water motion is both centrifugal and upward at each discharge of the fixture and retains an adequate amount of water to form an efficient trap seal.

Deep seal is a term applied to a trap having a water seal twice the depth of the common trap.

Subsoil drain is that part of a drainage system which conveys the ground or seepage water from the foot of walls or below the cellar bottom to the house sewer, independent of the house drain.

Conductors or roof leaders are the pipes which carry the storm or rain water from the roofs of buildings to the house or yard, drain or sewer. The vertical portion of the conductors is usually referred to as the down spout.

Back flow is a term denoting the reversal of flow in a drainage system.

Dead end is that part or branch of a drainage system which is without a free circulation of air.

Private sewer is one which has an independent sewage disposal, not connected with a public sewer, and which accommodates one or more houses.

A sanitary sewer is a drain or sewer constructed to convey organic sewage from buildings to a septic or bacterial treatment tank or other point of disposal and from which all surface and storm water is excluded.

A septic or biological tank is a reservoir or tank which receives crude sewage, and by bacterial action, liquefication, and sedimentation effects a process of purification and clarification.

Cesspool is an excavation in the ground made for the receiving of crude sewage, and so constructed that the organic matter is retained while the liquid portion is permitted to seep through its walls.

Rural or isolated residences are understood to be those situated at such a distance from public sewer system that their drainage systems cannot become tributary to such public system.

Roughing in is the placing of all that part of a drainage or vent system which can be completed before the plumbing fixtures are installed.

Wiping a joint is a method of joining two pieces of metal, in which the solder is fused on the joint and wiped to a smooth, neat finish with a wiping cloth, and having a thickness of solder over that part of the joint where the metals join of not less than one-fourth inch.

Sanitary plumbing is understood to denote plumbing so designed and installed that it can be kept clean—that is, free from defects in construction—and that conforms in every particular with good practice and sanitary essentials.

Private dwelling is understood to be any building used only for living purposes and occupied by not more than two families.

Alignment is understood to indicate "in a straight line," graded, horizontal or perpendicular.

Terminal is that part of a drainage or vent system which projects above the roof of the building or the end of the house drain connecting to the septic tank or house sewer, or other disposal terminal.

Public building as defined by state and local regulations means any structure used in whole or in part as a place of resort, assemblage, lodging, trade, traffic, occupancy, or use by the public, or by three or more tenants.

Place of employment means every place, whether indoors or out, or underground, and the premises appurtenant thereto, where either temporarily or permanently any industry, trade or business is carried on or where any process or operation, directly or indirectly related to any industry, trade or business, is carried on, and where any person is directly or indirectly employed by another for direct or indirect gain or profit, but does not include any place where persons are employed in private domestic service or agricultural pursuits which do not involve the use of mechanical power.

Basement may be defined as that portion of the building whose floor line is below the grade at the main entrance and whose ceiling is not more than 9 ft. above the grade. The first floor is that next above the basement, or the lowest floor if there is no basement. The total number of stories in a building is understood to embrace all stories except the basement.

Height of building is generally measured at the center line of its principal front, from the street grade (or if setting back from the street, from the grade of the ground adjoining the building) to the highest part of the roof, or to a point two-thirds of the height of the roof, if a gabled or hipped roof. If the grade of the lot or adjoining street in the rear or alongside of the building falls below the grade at the front, the height should be measured at the center of the building.

Approved, as used in plumbing and drainage ordinances, is a term usually signifying the installation is approved by state or local authorities in conformance with state laws or local regulations governing.

22. "Within the Building" Regulations.—In this article are set forth in brief form typica plumbing, water supply and drainage requirements as contained in modern state and local codes, and rules and regulations applicable to work *within* the building.

The important "within the building" requirements in connection with plumbing, water supply and drainage systems may be summed up as follows:

(*a*) Location with reference to convenience.
(*b*) Adequate housing.
(*c*) Approaches affording due privacy.
(*d*) Proper construction of floors, walls, partitions, etc.
(*e*) Lighting, heat, and effective room ventilation.
(*f*) Kind and number of fixtures and other appurtenances.
(*g*) Design and arrangement of piping fixtures, etc.
(*h*) Kind, quality and weight of materials.
(*i*) Types of traps and re-vents necessary.
(*j*) Safe and adequate water supply.
(*k*) Good workmanship.
(*l*) Utility chambers, shafts, recesses, raising or depressing of floors, placing of walls and partitions, etc., to enable the proper installation to be made of all needed piping and appurtenances.
(*m*) Economy of installation consistent with simplicity, durability, service, comfort and sanitation.

Nearly all state and local regulations include some specific requirements for the following classes of buildings, each of which should receive careful consideration by the designer of plumbing, water supply and drainage installations:

Places of employment—factories, office and mercantile buildings, and other employment centers.
Public buildings, school buildings, libraries, museums, places of detention.
Apartment and tenement houses.
Theaters and assembly halls.
Hotels and rooming houses.
Restaurants, barber-shops.
Slaughter-houses, rendering plants.
Creameries, condenseries, cheese factories.
Chemical and similar plants.
Federal buildings.
Private residences and two-family flats.

Piping requirements are in most cases identical except as to sizes and kind of materials, where the character of the waste is such as to be destructive or where its proper disposition requires special treatment. The number and type of plumbing fixtures and other appurtenances likewise vary in certain types of buildings.

Whatever deficiencies may exist in a system, may properly be ascribed alike to the manufacturer, plumber, engineer, architect, designer, owner, installer, and inspector of plumbing. The remedy lies in education and the coöperation of all concerned.

Sewers and Drains

Section 1. (*a*) *One Drain for Each Building.*—The plumbing system of each new building, or new plumbing installation in an existing building, should be entirely separate from and independent of that of any other building, except as provided in the following section.

Wherever practicable, every building should have an independent connection with a public or private sewer.

(*b*) *Two or More Buildings on a Lot.*—Where a building stands in the rear of another on the same lot, the house drain from the front building may be extended to the rear building, private garage, or barn, and the whole may be considered as one house drain.

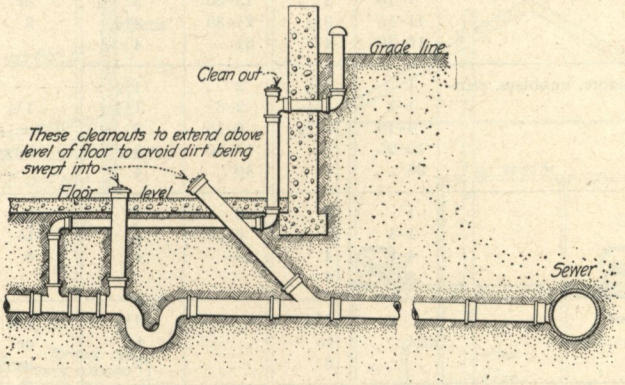


FIG. 20.

Section 2. (*a*) *Underground House Drains.*—All house drains should wherever possible be brought into the building underground below the level of the basement or cellar floor.

(*b*) *Materials Used.*—All underground house drains must be made of vitrified clay or cast-iron pipe. In some localities the use of vitrified clay pipe is permitted where the ground or soil covering is 18 in. or more, provided that where a substantial cement floor is laid, 12-in. covering is permissible. Vitrified clay pipe must not be used in the construction of a house drain when the ground or soil has not the proper stability to insure an unyielding foundation (Figs. 20 and 48).

Note.—Cast-iron pipe is always preferable to vitrified clay pipe as it is stronger and more durable. But when laid in ground or material containing cinders, ashes or ingredients that will affect cast iron, it should be adequately protected.

Section 3. *Trenches for Pipes.*—When deemed essential by state or local authorities for inspection purposes, all excavations necessary for the installation of a house drainage system or any part thereof within the walls of a building should be open trench work.

Section 4. (*a*) *Subsoil Drains.*—Where subsoil drains are used, they should be made of open-jointed drain tile, properly trapped before entering the house drain.

(For method of installation see Sect. 40.)

Table 1.—Soil, Waste and Vent Pipes

Table Showing Kind and Number of Fixtures; Sizes of Traps; and Diameter of Soil, Waste, and Vent Pipes

Kind of fixtures	Soil and waste		Vent†		Sizes of traps required (inches)	Maximum developed length of vent pipe permitted‡ (feet)
	Number fixtures allowed	Sizes of soil and waste (inches)	Number fixtures allowed	Sizes of back vent (inches)		
Closets	*	3	6	2		60
	6	4	7–10	2½		80
	7–15	5	11–20	3	2½	100
	16–36	6	21–40	3½	to	120
	37–64	8	41–75	4	4	150
	65–100	10	76–100	6		250
Slop sink with trap combined	2–	2	1	1½		40
	6–	3	6	2	2	60
	7–15	4	7–10	2½	to	80
	16–36	5	11–20	3	4	100
	37–64	6	21–	3½		120
Sinks, bath tubs, laundry trays, ordinary slop sinks, small single urinals, and shower baths	1	1½	4	1½		40
	1–4	2	5–8	2		60
	5–6	2½	9–12	2½	1½	80
	7–10	3	13–20	3	or	100
	11–15	3½	21–30	3½	2	120
	16–30	4	31	4		150
Wash basins, cuspidors, bubblers, refrigerators	1	1¼	2	1¼		25
	1–4	1½	2–6	1½	1¼	40
	4–10	2	6–15	2	or	60
	10–25	3	15–40	3	larger	100
	25	4	40	4		150
Floor drains	1	2	6	2	2	60
	1–4	3	6–10	3	to	100
	4–8	4	10–	4	6	150
	8–36	6				
Fountain connection	.....	1½	.....	1½	1½	40
	.....	to	.....	to	or	to
	.....	3	.....	2	larger	60
Long trough pedestal, combined trap, and porcelain stall urinals	1	2	2	1½		40
	1–4	3	1–4	2	2	60
	4–10	4	4–12	2½	to	80
	10–25	5	12–30	3	4	100
	25–	6	30–	4		150

* See Section 29 and Fig. 28.

† The vent sizes are intended for individual reventing of each fixture trap.

‡ After maximum developed length of vent pipe is reached, increase diameter of pipe at each multiple of the maximum length permitted.

Note.—Consult also Sections 5 to 10 inclusive.

Note.—In determining the size of the soil and waste pipe given in Table 1, allow, in addition to each closet permitted, one bath, one basin, and one sink or other similar fixture. In determining the size of vent pipe, allow, in addition to each closet permitted, one bath, one basin, and one sink or other similar fixture. (For method of installation, see various illustrations.)

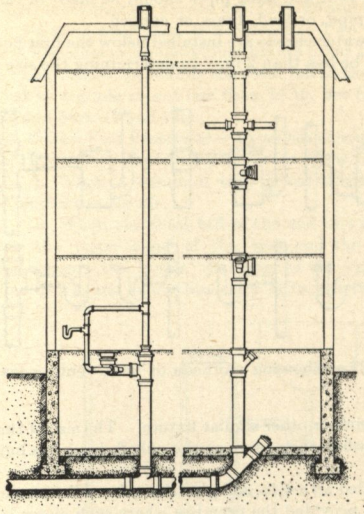


FIG. 21.—Methods of venting, roof-flashing, and locating of soil, waste, and vent fittings.

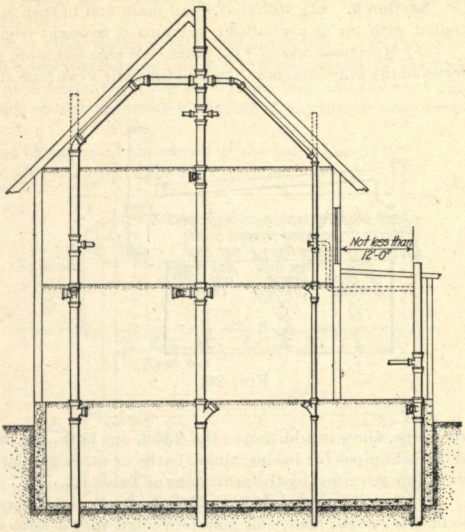


FIG. 22.—Method of connecting vent and joining of soil and waste pipe stacks.

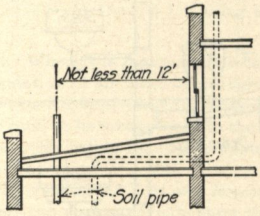


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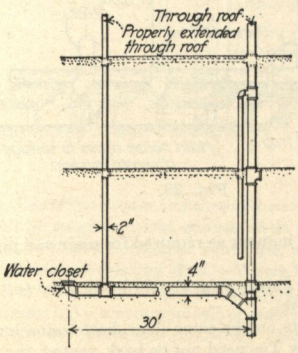


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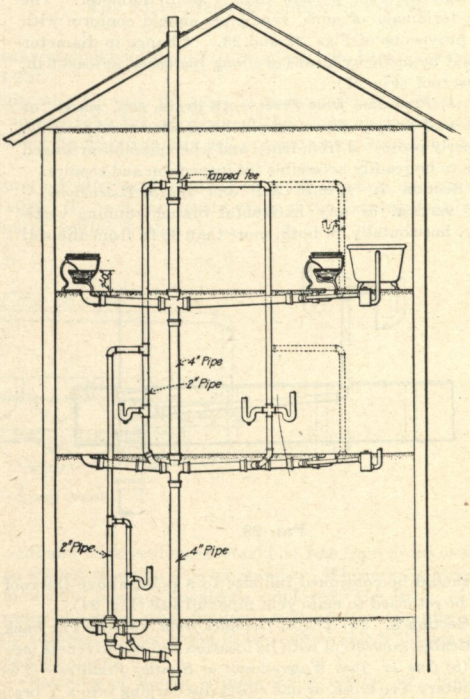


FIG. 25.

Section 5. (*a*) *Materials.*—All main and branch soil, waste, vent and back pipes should be made of cast iron coated with tar or asphaltum, galvanized wrought iron or steel pipe, or lead, brass or copper.

(*b*) *Minimum Size of Vent Stack.*—Where not more than two water-closets are installed below the first floor and serve as the only closets in the building, the vent pipe should not be less than 2 in. In determining the size of the

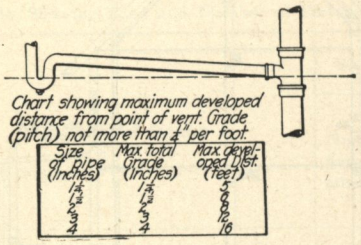


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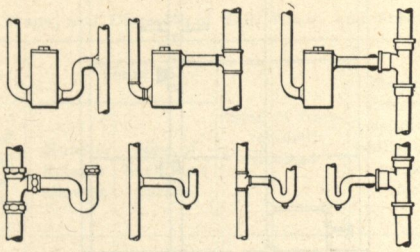


FIG. 27.—Showing methods of back-venting traps.

vent pipe, allow in addition to the closet, one bath, one basin, one sink or other similar fixture. The size of the vent and waste pipes for basins, sinks, baths or other similar fixtures when they serve as the only fixtures in a building, should be governed by the provisions of Table 1.

(*c*) *Four-inch Stack May be Decreased.*—A closet may be installed on a 4-in. soil pipe rising from the house drain to first or second floor, and may be vented with a 2-in. vent pipe, provided the premises where such closet is to be installed has a 4-in. soil pipe stack of undiminished size extending through the roof (see Fig. 21).

In garages, barns, etc., a closet may be installed on the first floor or ground floor and may be vented with a 2-in. pipe.

Section 6. (*a*) *Roof Extensions.*—All soil and waste pipes receiving the discharge of any fixture should be extended the full calibre above the roof, except as provided for in Fig. 21.

In no case in cold climates should a vent pipe through the roof be less than 4 in. in diameter. The roof terminals of such vent pipes should conform with the provisions of Figs. 22 and 23. Change in diameter should be made by means of a long increaser, at least 6 in. below roof (Fig. 21).

(*b*) *Protection from Frost.*—All drain, soil, waste, or vent and supply pipes should be as direct as possible, properly protected from frost, and when possible arranged so as to be readily accessible for inspection and repairs.

Section 7. *Branch Soil and Waste Extensions.*—Any vertical or any horizontal branch running vertically, horizontally, or both, more than 30 ft. from the soil

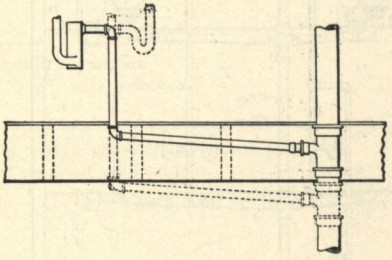


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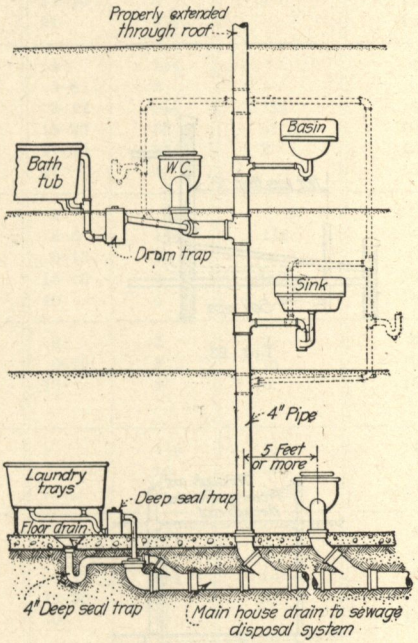


FIG. 29.

line should be continued full size to a point above the roof in the same manner as required for main soil pipes, or may be returned to main vent pipe full size (Fig. 24).

Section 8. (*a*) *Traps, Distance from Vents.*—The back vent of any fixture trap should be as close to trap as practicable, consistent with its location and effectiveness (see various figures).

(*b*) *One or Two Water-closets or Similar Fixtures.*—Two water-closets on the same floor discharging into a Y or sanitary Tee cross, or one closet discharging into a Y branch or sanitary Tee need not be back vented, providing that the developed distance of the horizontal soil branch extended with a grade of not less than ¼ in. per ft. does

not exceed the inside diameter of the soil branch and the vertical leg between the horizontal soil branch and the trap water level does not exceed 2 ft. (Fig. 25 and Sect. 10 and 19c).

(c) *Fixtures other than Water-closets.*—Two fixtures other than water-closets discharging into a double Y or sanitary Tee cross or an individual fixture other than water-closet discharging into a Y branch or sanitary Tee need not be back vented, providing the total fall of the waste pipe between the water level of the trap and the vent pipe extended at a grade of not less than ¼ in. per foot does not exceed the inside diameter of the branch waste pipe (Fig. 26 and Sect. 10 and 19c).

(d) *Crown Vent Prohibited.*—In no case should the vent be taken off the crown of the trap (Fig. 27).

(e) *When Deep Seal Resealing Traps of the Centrifugal, Self-Scouring Type Must be Used.*

1. When a common trap is not adequate protection against sewer air.

2. When the total fall of the soil or waste pipe between the water level of the trap and the point of venting exceeds the inside diameter of the waste pipe, extended at a grade of not less than ¼ in. per ft.

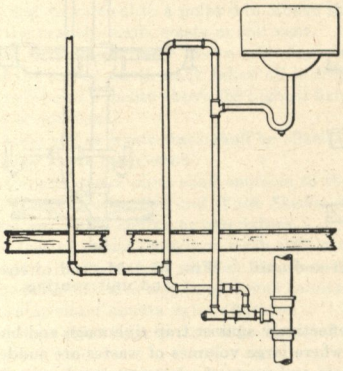


FIG. 30.—Method of installing loop vent.

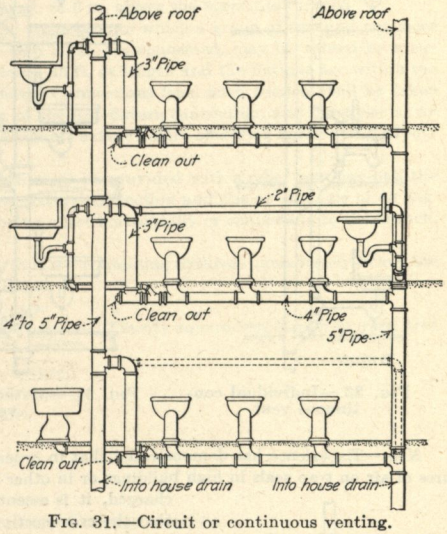


FIG. 31.—Circuit or continuous venting.

3. When it is impracticable to vent, a deep seal resealing trap should be installed. So far as is practical a free circulation of air must be provided (Figs. 28 and 29).

(f) *Vents Reconnected.*—All vents should be run separately through the roof, or be reconnected at least 8 in. below the roof, or be reconnected to the main vent pipe not less than 3 ft. above the highest floor on which fixtures are placed. No fitting for future waste connections should be placed in any soil or waste pipe above the point of revent connection (Fig. 22).

(g) *Rearranging of Vent and Revents.*—Where fixtures are afterward installed on a soil or waste line above a point where the vent or revents enter the vent or vent stack, the vent and revent pipes of the fixtures already installed should be rearranged to conform to the provisions of Section 8 (b).

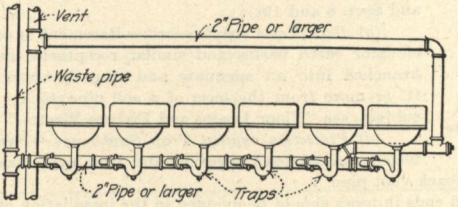


FIG. 32.—Loop vent.

(h) *Vent Pipe Grades and Connections.*—All branch vent and back vent pipes should be free from drops or sags, and shall be so graded and connected as to drip back to the soil or waste pipe by gravity. Whenever it becomes necessary to trap a horizontal vent pipe, an approved method of bleeding should be employed (Fig. 30).

(i) *Fixtures Parted by Wall.*—Where bath rooms, water-closets or other fixtures are located on opposite sides of a wall or partition in the same building, or are directly adjacent to each other in two inseparable buildings, such fixtures may have a common soil or waste pipe and vent pipe stack.

Section 9. *Continuous or Circuit Vent Installation.*—Batteries of closets, urinals, sinks, basins, etc., may be installed by the continuous or circuit vent system. Loops and circuit vents should be of the following sizes: 2 in.

for a battery of two closets, 3 in. for a battery of five closets, 4 in. for a battery of six to twelve closets. For urinals, sinks, basin or similar fixtures the loop or circuit should be of the size provided for in Table 1. Methods for such installation are shown in Figs. 31, 32, 33, and 34.

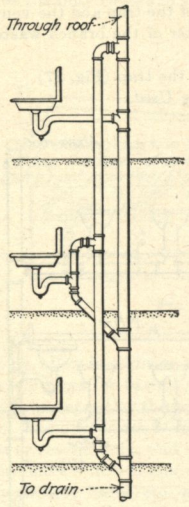


FIG. 33.—Individual continuous vent.

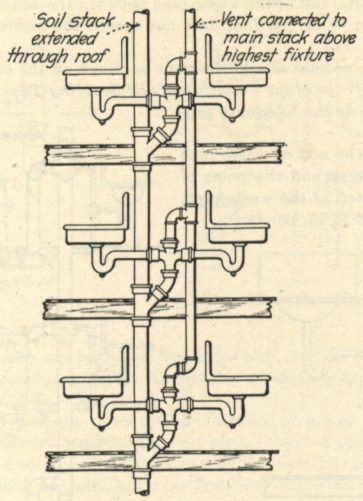


FIG. 34.—Method of circuit and unit venting.

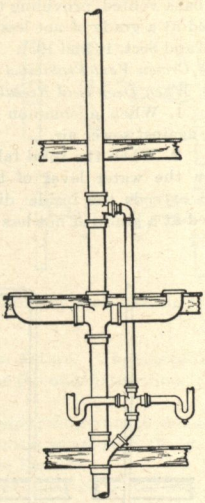


FIG. 35.—Method of circuit and unit venting.

Note.—Experience has demonstrated that in order to guard effectively against trap siphonage and back pressures of air on trap seals in high buildings or in other structures where large volumes of wastes are suddenly discharged, it is essential that waste and vents of adequate sizes be provided and that the cross-sectional area of the main vent lines be equal to that of the soil or waste lines.

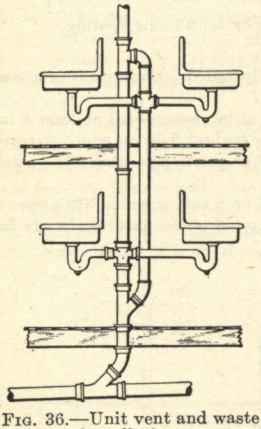


FIG. 36.—Unit vent and waste installation.

Section 10. (*a*) *Unit Vent.*—Two water-closets located on the same floor discharging into a double Y or sanitary T cross in a soil or waste stack, need not be back vented, provided that the developed distance of the horizontal soil pipe branch extended with a grade of ¼ in. per ft. does not exceed the inside diameter of the soil pipe and the vertical leg between the horizontal soil pipe branch and the trap water level does not exceed 2 ft.

Two fixtures, other than water-closets discharging into a double Y or sanitary T cross, with no other fixtures discharging above them, may be back vented through a common vent or back vent pipe provided the total fall between the water level of the trap and vent pipe does not exceed the inside diameter of the waste pipe extended at a grade of ¼ in. per ft. (Figs. 35 and 36 and Sect. 8 and 19*c*).

(*b*) *Back Vents not Required.*—Basement or cellar floor drains, subsoil traps, elevator catch basins and similar receptacles need not be back vented when branched into an adequate and properly ventilated horizontal house drain 5 ft. or more from the base of a soil pipe stack. For further provisions on this subject, see "Floor Drains and Fixture Wastes."

(*c*) *Protection against Trap Syphonage.*—Every fixture trap should be protected against back pressure and from syphonage, and air circulation insured where necessary by a vent or back vent pipe.

(*d*) *Dead Ends.*—All dead ends in pipes should be avoided in the installation of any plumbing system.

More stringent back venting requirements than have here been outlined are contained in some plumbing codes. A few will be cited as examples:

Trap Back-vented.—"Every fixture trap shall be protected from siphonage and air circulation assured by means of a vent or back-vent pipe."

Vents—Lengths from Trap.—"The back vent of any fixture shall be as close to the trap as practicable consistent with its location and effectiveness. The developed length of the waste pipe of any fixture from its trap to the vent pipe shall not exceed 24 in.

"For the purpose of obtaining a direct rising vent from a vertical waste line, a fixture trap immediately under a small fixture waste shall be placed not more than 24 in. from the vertical waste and vent line, measured between the center of the waste and vent, provided that the point of entry into the vertical waste line is not lower than the bend of the trap. For water-closets, pedestal urinals, and trap standard slop sinks the distance allowed between the waste opening in the floor or wall and vent or back vent shall not be more than 24 in. developed length."

Back Venting—Water-closets.—"Every earthenware fixture with trap combined shall be unprovided with a back vent horn.

"Every water-closet, pedestal urinal and slop sink having a floor connection shall be back-vented from the soil or waste branch and preferably on the top of the branch. When connected with the vertical arm of a bend, it shall be made above the top of the horizontal branch.

("This vent must rise at an angle of 45 deg. or less to vertical, to 6 in. above the horizontal branch.")

Circuit Loop and Continuous Vents.—"Every branch soil or waste pipe to which a group of two and not more than eight water-closets, pedestal urinals or trap standards slop sinks are connected, may be vented by a circuit or loop vent, provided such horizontal branch does not exceed 25 ft. in length and the fixtures are within the prescribed 24-in. limit from the branch forming the circuit vent. Connections from such branch shall be taken from Y or TY branches. The vent shall be taken off in front of the last fixture connection, and must rise at an angle of 45 deg. to vertical to a point 6 in. above the top of the highest fixture before offsetting horizontally or connecting to the branch, main, waste or soil vent.

"Where fixtures discharge above such branch, each branch shall be provided with a relief vent one-half the diameter of the soil or waste stack taken off in front of the first fixture connection and rise at an angle of 45 deg. to vertical to a point 6 inches above the highest fixture before being offset horizontally or connecting to the branch, main waste or soil vent.

"The main soil or waste stack shall be offset at every fourth story containing fixtures, immediately below the branch, soil, or waste connection.

"The soil and waste pipes shall conform to the following sizes:

Size of House Drains, Soil and Waste Stacks, Mains and Branches.—"Twenty square feet of roof or yard area in horizontal projection counts as one fixture.

"Three feet of urinal trough or wash sink counts as one fixture.

"One bath, basin, sink or smaller fixture counts as one fixture.

"One pedestal urinal or slop hopper sink counts as two fixtures.

"One water-closet counts as four fixtures.

"Dimensions given refer to the inside diameter.

"MAXIMUM NUMBER OF FIXTURES CONNECTED TO

Size of pipe (inches)	Waste, soil and waste combined (fixtures)	Soil pipe alone (water-closets)
1¼	1	
1½	3	
2	8	
2½	10	
3	20	2
3½	40	2
4	64	16
5	144	36
6	288	72
7	504	126
8	840	210
9	1160	290
10	1600	400
11	2120	530
12	2840	710

"Providing that the number of water-closets on any soil pipe, with or without other fixtures, shall never exceed the number given in the last column.

"Where it is impractical to use 4-in. soil pipe for water-closets, 3-in. soil pipe may be used for vertical stacks, and shall conform with the number of fixtures in the above table. If earthenware drains or sewers are used, the diameter of the pipe shall be increased one size over the above table.

"The main vent pipe shall conform to, and the branch vent pipe shall be one full size larger than the sizes prescribed below:

"*Size of Vent Pipe Stacks.*—The following table gives the size of vent pipes and the maximum number of fixtures that they shall serve:

Size of pipe (inches)	Maximum developed length in feet	Number of traps in 1½ or less	Number of traps 2 in.	Number of water-closets
1¼	15	1 (1¼ in. trap)		
1½	25	3	1	
2	40	12	6	3 or less
2½	60	24	12	6
3	90	48	24	12
3½	130	100	50	25
4	180	160	80	40
5	240	210	140	70
6	330	480	240	120

"For 5-in. traps and over, the vent shall be one-half the diameter of the trap except as prescribed for latrines.

"If the length of a branch or main vent pipe is to exceed the given maximum, the above diameter must be increased to the tabulated size opposite the length required, irrespective of the number of traps vented, but in no case shall the main be less than one-half the diameter of the adjoining soil pipe."

Section 11. (*a*) *Grade of Horizontal Pipes.*—All horizontal drain, soil and waste pipes should be run in practical alignment and at the uniform grade of ¼ in. per ft. or more; but in no case should the grade be less than ⅛ in. per ft., whether under cellar floor or supported by piers, posts, wall ledges or iron hangers.

(*b*) *Changes in Direction.*—For information on changes in direction of soil, waste, and drain pipes, see Figs. 37, 38 and 39 and Table 3.

(*c*) *To Increase or Reduce Size of Pipes.*—Proper fittings of sanitary design should be used to increase or reduce size of pipes. (For prohibited fittings, see Sect. 16.)

Section 12. (*a*) *Hangers and Supports.*—All hangers, pipe supports and fixture settings in or against masonry, concrete or stone backing should be securely made with expansion bolts or other approved methods without the use of wood plugs. All drainage and plumbing pipes should be rigidly secured and supported so that the proper alignment will be retained.

(*b*) *Backgrounds.*—Backgrounds, except under special conditions, must be provided for the securing of closets, tanks, basins, sinks, brackets and all other wall fixtures or hangings.

(*c*) *Stack Supports.*—All stacks shall be thoroughly supported on concrete, masonry piers, or foot rests at their bases; and those 10 ft. or more in height should also be provided with floor rests or other substantial supports at 10 ft. or floor intervals. All pipe supports should be made of heavy iron posts, wall hangers or brackets, steel fittings, or concrete or masonry piers. All brick piers should be at least 8 in. square and laid up with cement mortar.

Quality and Weight of Materials

Section 13. *Vitrified Pipe.*—All vitrified pipe and fittings should be first quality vitrified clay pipe, sound and well burned throughout their thickness, with well-glazed smooth exterior and interior surfaces, free from cracks, flaws, blisters, fire checks and all other imperfections which would impair their value.

Section 14. (*a*) *Cast-iron Pipe.*—All cast-iron pipe fittings should be made of close-grained gray iron, ductile and readily cut with file or chisel, smooth on the inside, free from flaws, sand holes or other defects, and of a uniform thickness. Such pipes and fittings should not be lighter than the commercial grade known as "Standard."

Note.—On account of its greater durability and ease of installation, it is recommended that "extra heavy" cast-iron pipe be used in all plumbing systems.

(*b*) *Weights of Cast-iron Pipes.*—All cast-iron pipe, including hubs, should weigh not less than the weights per foot given in Table 2.

TABLE 2

Diameter (inches)	Standard weight per foot	Extra heavy weight per foot (pounds)
2	3½	5½
3	4½	9½
4	6½	13
5	8⅔	17
6	10⅓	20
7	....	27
8	....	33½

(*c*) *Coating for Cast-iron Pipe and Fittings.*—All pipe and fittings should be coated with asphaltum or coal tar pitch. Both pipe and coating should be heated to a temperature of 300 deg. F. before the castings are dipped.

TABLET 3.—SHOWING MINIMUM RADIUS OF CAST-IRON SOIL PIPE FITTINGS PERMITTED WHEN CHANGE OF DIRECTION IS MADE

(Case A) When direction of flow changes from horizontal to vertical:

Size of pipe (inches)	2	3	4	5	6
Minimum radius (inches)	3	3½	4	4½	5

(Case B) When direction of flow changes from vertical to horizontal:

Sizes of pipe (inches)	2	3	4	5	6
Minimum radius (inches)	3	3½	4	4½	5

(Case C) When direction of flow is at right angles and changes from horizontal to horizontal:

Size of pipe (inches)	2	3	4	5	6
Minimum radius (inches)	5	5½	6	6½	7

Note.—A combination Y and ⅛ bend or Y and ⅛ bend is recommended. When a pipe of smaller diameter enters a pipe of greater diameter, a fitting with a minimum radius as shown under Case A may be used.

When sanitary T's or wiped branches are used in change of direction they should be so arranged that the flow from other fixtures will serve as a wash.

For method of determining radius, see Figs. 38 and 39.

Section 15. (*a*) *Wrought Iron Pipe.*—All wrought-iron pipe or steel pipe, known to the trade as merchant or full weight pipe, used for soil, waste or vent pipes, should be galvanized and not lighter than shown in the following chart:

Note.—Galvanized wrought iron is highly recommended owing to its superior lasting qualities.

TABLE 4

Diameter (inches)	Weight per lineal foot (pounds)
1½	2.73
2	3.68
2½	5.82
3	7.62
3½	9.20
4	10.89
4½	12.64
5	14.86
6	19.18
7	23.77
8	25.00

(*a*) *Screw Thread Fittings.*—Threaded fittings for vents and back vents shall be malleable, cast iron, or brass.

All screw thread fittings used for soil and waste pipes should be of the recessed, drainage fitting pattern; and the same rules for change of direction given in Tables 3 and 5 will apply. All iron screw thread fittings for soil, waste or vent pipes should be galvanized or asphaltum coated.

TABLE 5.—SHOWING THE MINIMUM LENGTH OF FACE TO CENTER OF DRAINAGE FITTINGS

(Case A) When direction of flow changes from horizontal to vertical:

Size of pipe (inches)	1¼	1½	2	2½	3	4	5	6
Distance from face to center (A), Fig. 16 (inches)	1¾	2 3/16	2⅜	2 13/16	3 3/16	3 13/16	4½	5 3/16

(Case B) When direction of flow changes from vertical to horizontal:

Size of pipe (inches)	1¼	1½	2	2½	3	4	5	6
Distance from face to center (A), Fig. 37 (inches)	2¼	2½	3 1/16	3 11/16	4¼	5 3/16	6⅛	7⅛

(Case C) When direction of flow changes from horizontal to horizontal, use same distance from face to center as in Case B.

Note.—Long turn Y branches or Y and ⅛ bend are recommended.

Section 16. *Prohibited Fittings.*—Sanitary Tees of short radius should not be used except in connected horizontal to vertical soil or waste pipes in which the flow is toward the vertical line. The use of one-fourth bends or elbows in soil or waste pipes is governed by Tables 3 and 5, and Figs. 38 and 39.

One-fourth bends with side or heel outlets, except when they are made with Y or sanitary T branches, and all double hub fittings, double Tees and double sanitary Tees when used horizontally are prohibited, except when smaller pipes discharge into a large pipe. Double hubs and double hub fittings may be used on rain water leader and vent lines. Offsets having less than one-fifth pitch should not be permitted. The use of a drive ferrule is prohibited, and the use of combination lead ferrules should be permitted only when the calk joint can be made in the upright position. All waste and vent pipes should enter soil pipe by means of properly inserted fittings.

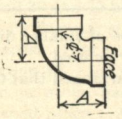


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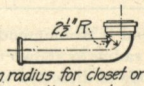


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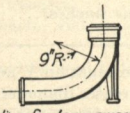


Fig. 39.

The drilling and tapping of soil, vent and waste pipes and house drains to receive waste and vent pipes of any description generally is strictly prohibited, and in no case is the use of saddles or bands permitted, without permission from the plumbing inspector.

Note.—All such saddles must be of efficient design and construction.

Whenever horizontal wrought or galvanized iron pipe connects with cast-iron soil, waste or vent pipes, tapped fittings or tap extension pieces should be used wherever practicable. No double hub or inverted calk joint should be permitted in soil and waste lines.

Section 17. *Lead Pipe Bends and Traps, Weight of.*—All pipe used for branch soil, waste, vent or flush pipes, including bends and traps, should be the best quality of drawn lead pipe, of not less weight per lineal foot than shown in Table 6.

TABLE 6

Inside diameter (inches)	Weight per foot
1	2 lb. 0 oz.
1¼	2 lb. 8 oz.
1½	3 lb. 8 oz.
2	4 lb. 0 oz.
3	6 lb. 0 oz.
4	8 lb. 0 oz.

Section 18. *Brass Pipe, Fittings, Tubing and Casting.*—All brass pipe used for soil, waste and vents, except fixtures, traps and overflows, should be of commercial iron pipe gage.

All brass fittings for soil, waste or vent pipes should be of a good quality of cast brass, having a thickness corresponding to brass pipe of the same diameter. The thickness of threaded ends must be equal to the thickness of the corresponding pipe size at the root of the thread.

All brass tubing used for fixtures, traps and overflows between wall or floor and fixtures should be of a good quality of brass and of a thickness at least equal to No. 18 Brown & Sharp gage.

All brass fittings used for fixtures, traps and overflows should be of a good quality of brass, free from sand holes, flaws or other defects, and of a uniform thickness equal to twice the thickness of the brass tubing. The thickness of the threaded ends should be equal to the thickness of the fitting at the root of the thread.

Soldering nipples should be of heavy cast brass, or of brass pipe of iron weight, thickness and size. When cast they should be of full bore and of not less than the weights given in the following table:

TABLE 7

Inside diameter (inches)	Weights
1¼	0 lb. 6 oz.
1½	0 lb. 8 oz.
2	0 lb. 14 oz.
2½	1 lb. 6 oz.
3	2 lb. 6 oz.
4	3 lb. 8 oz.

Brass ferrules should be of a good quality of brass, composed of a mixture that will fuse readily with plumber's solder, free from sand holes, flaws or other defects, uniform in thickness, and at least 4½ in. long, of a size and weight as per Table 8

TABLE 8

Inside diameter (inches)	Weights
1½	1 lb. 1 oz.
2	1 lb. 4 oz.
3	1 lb. 14 oz.
4	2 lb. 8 oz.
5	3 lb. 0 oz.
6	3 lb. 8 oz.

Traps and Clean-outs

Section 19. (*a*) *Traps.*—Each fixture, except those wasting as described in this section, should be separately trapped by a water seal trap, placed as close to the fixture as possible.

Every trap should be self-cleaning. No form of trap should be used which depends upon the action of movable parts for its seal. Nor should a trap be used which depends upon concealed interior partitions for its seal, unless such interior partitions are made of indestructible material. No trap should be used which in case of defect would allow the passage of sewer air. Grease traps with integral cast partitions of indestructible material may be used. Drum traps or their equivalent should be used whenever practicable under all bath tubs and shower baths.

Traps for bath tubs, basins, sinks or other similar fixtures should be made of lead, brass or iron. (For depth of trap seals see Table 9 and for size see Table 1.) Each trap should have a water seal of not less than 2 in. Laundry trays, wash tubs, or similar fixtures may waste into a single trap. The outlet waste pipe and trap of three or four compartments should be at least 2 in. in diameter.

TABLE 9.—DEPTH OF SEAL FOR COMMON TRAPS

Size of trap (inches)	1¼	1½	2	3	4	5	6
Depth of seal (inches)	2	2	2	2½	2½	2½	2½

DEPTH OF SEAL FOR DEEP SEAL TRAPS

Size of trap (inches)	1¼	1½	2	3	4	5	6
Depth of seal (inches)	4	4	4	5	5	5	5

(*b*) *Trap Clean-outs.*—All traps placed between a floor and a ceiling, or in any other accessible place, should have a brass screw clean-out flush with the floor or accessible from under the floor.

All traps used in combination with fixtures which are readily accessible and removable need not be provided with a brass screw clean-out plug.

(*c*) *Setting of Traps.*—All traps should be rigidly supported and set true with respect to their water level, and be so located as to protect their seals. All that portion of the waste pipe of *P* trap extending to the point of venting is to be considered as a part of the trap, and the total fall between water level of the trap and vent should not exceed the inside diameter of the waste pipe (see Figs. 26, 27, 28, and 40, and Sect. 8 and 10).

(*d*) *Traps—Where Prohibited.*—Traps should not be placed at the foot of soil or waste pipe stacks, except where such a drain or sewer is used exclusively for conducting rain water or surface water to a house drain or sewer.

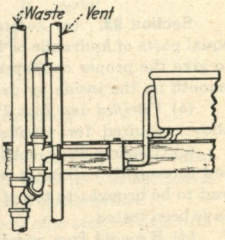


FIG. 40.—Method of connecting bath, showers, and similar fixtures.

(*e*) *Traps or Rain Water Leaders.*—One trap may serve for one or more rain water leaders, providing no part of said pipe is used for a soil or waste pipe. When rain water leaders are carried up to the roof of a building they need not be provided with traps, unless such conductors terminate within 12 ft. of any door, window, ventilating hood or air intake. Conductor branches taken off a head of the main house trap on street side should be provided with traps properly located to guard against frost.

(*f*) *Other Waste Connected to Water-closet Trap Prohibited.*—In no case should the waste from a bath tub or other fixture be connected with a water-closet trap.

(*g*) *Overflow Connections.*—Overflow pipes from fixtures in each case must be connected on the inlet side of the trap.

Section 20. (*a*) *Main House Trap.*—The house drain may be provided with a horizontal trap set level and placed immediately inside of foundation wall where sewer enters building. This trap should be provided with a handhole to which clean-out is connected.

Main house trap may be omitted (1) in building where the roof terminals of soil and vent stacks are favorably located, when plumbing is free from defects, fixture traps properly protected from siphonage, and the installation made in a durable and approved sanitary manner; (2) in new sewerage districts or districts practically free from main traps; and (3) with certain limitations, in sewerage districts where existing house drains are equipped with main trap.

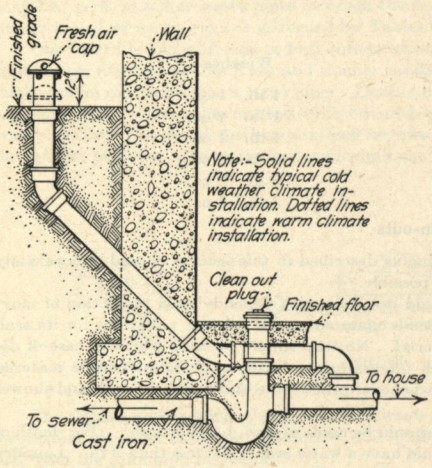


FIG. 41.—House trap and fresh air inlet.

When main traps are used they must be provided with a fresh air inlet on the house side of the trap (Figs. 20 and 41).

(*b*) *Fresh Air Inlets Where Main House Traps Are Used.*—There must be a fresh air inlet entering the house side at least 2 ft. from the water seal of the main trap. The inlet when exposed should be covered with a substantial fresh air cap or return bend. When located under a porch, a free circulation of air must be provided.

(*c*) *Location of.*—No fresh air inlet should be so placed that a cold air intake for a furnace or heater may draw air from the same, nor should it be open at a point less than 4 ft. from any door, window, or other air intake.

Section 21. *Back Flow Valves.*—Drain pipes from fixtures should be provided with adequate backwater valves when subject to back flow or backwater from sewer. Such backwater valves should be so placed as not to interfere with the flow or discharge of any conductor or rain water leader or other fixture, and be readily accessible for cleaning, and should be provided with a back vent pipe or fresh air inlet so arranged as to avoid a dead end.

Section 22. (*a*) *Clean-outs.*—Where main house traps are installed, cast-iron pipe should be extended from hand hole of trap to a point 2 in. above the surface of finished floor or grade. All clean-outs in house drains should be at least 4 in. in diameter (Figs. 20 and 41).

All additional clean-outs for main house drain should be extended where practicable to a point 2 in. above the surface of the finished floor or grade.

All other clean-outs should be of adequate size and located in such a manner as to serve the purpose for which they were intended, and all clean-outs should be so constructed as to make possible the entering of the drain with rod or wire.

(*b*) *Construction of Clean-outs.*—When solid brass screw caps for clean-outs are used, they should be at least $\frac{1}{8}$ in. thick and provided with standard pipe thread and square or hexagonal head at least $\frac{3}{4}$ in. high. The ferrule when made of brass should be at least $\frac{3}{16}$ in. in thickness; and when made of iron the same weight per foot as extra heavy cast-iron soil pipe. The screw cap should have at least five threads of iron pipe size.

Note.—Clean-outs should be provided for all large troughs, pedestal and porcelain stall urinals at such points that all parts of waste may be reached conveniently with sewer rod or wire.

Joints and Connections

Section 23. (*a*) *Joints in Vitrified Pipe.*—Joints in vitrified pipe should be made with mortar composed of equal parts of hydraulic or Portland cement and sharp clean sand, thoroughly mixed dry, with enough water added to give the proper consistency. The joints must be pointed carefully on the outside, and the pipe left clean and smooth on the inside by drawing through it a swab or scraper.

(*b*) *Vitrified and Iron Pipe.*—Underground joints between vitrified and iron pipe should be made the same as above required for vitrified pipe.

(*c*) *Cast-iron Pipe.*—All joints in cast-iron pipe should be made by first inserting a roll of hemp, oakum or jute and thoroughly calking it in place, and then following with pure molten lead well calked, not less than 1 in. deep, lead to be brought to top of hub and faced. No paint, varnish or putty should be allowed in the joints until they have been tested.

(*d*) *Wrought Iron and Brass.*—Joints in galvanized iron or brass pipe should be standard screw joints, and all burs or cuttings should be removed. All screw joints should be made with white or red lead, mineral paint, red lead and varnish or other approved compounds.

(*e*) *Wrought Iron or Brass and Cast Iron.*—Connections between wrought iron or brass and cast iron should be either a calked joint or a screw joint.

The following table shows the number of threads per inch on standard wrought iron or full weight steel pipe:

Size of pipe (inches)	Number of threads to the inch
⅛	27
¼ and ⅜	18
½ and ¾	14
1 to 2	11½
3 to 10	8

(*f*) *Joints in Lead Pipe.*—Joints in lead pipe or between lead, brass or copper pipes should in all cases be wiped joints except solder brazed or sweated joints on brass reamed concave bushings in connection with exposed brass or lead traps shown in Figs. 27 and 42.

(*g*) *Wrought-iron Pipe Connections.*—Connections between lead and cast or wrought-iron pipes should be made

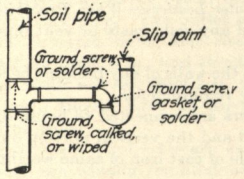


FIG. 42.—Permissible trap joints and connections.

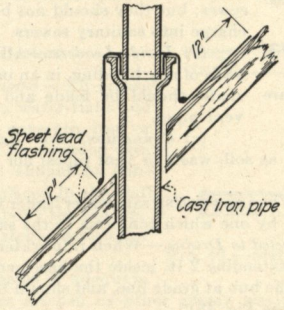


FIG. 43.—Roof flashing for cast-iron pipe.

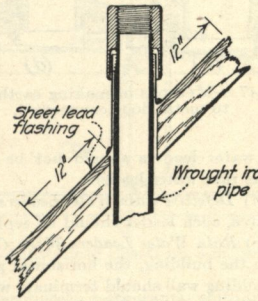


FIG. 44.—Roof flashing for wrought-iron pipe.

with a calked joint, a soldering nipple or threaded joint. Wrought-iron pipe connections should be made with a right and left coupling, flanged union with durable gasket, a ground faced union or an extra heavy running thread with lock nut made tight with wicking and red or white lead, and be asphaltum coated upon completion. All unions used on the sewer side of traps should be ground faced. No slip-joint connection should be allowed on the sewer side of the trap (Fig. 42).

Section 24. (*a*) *Roof Joints.*—The joint at the roof should be made water-tight by the use of proper sheet copper or lead plate (Figs. 21, 43, 44 and 45).

(*b*) *Roof Flashing.*—Sheet lead for roof flashing should weigh not less than 3 lb. per sq. ft. and should extend not less than 6 in. from the pipe. Other flashings of substantial material are permitted.

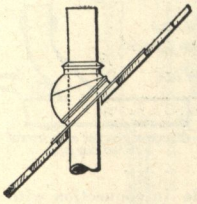


FIG. 45.—Roof flange.

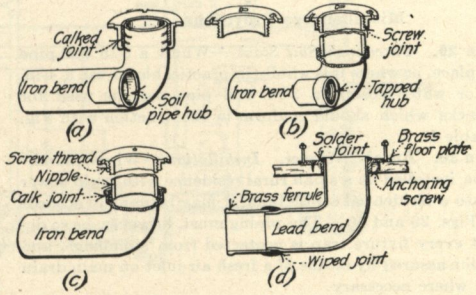


FIG. 46.—Closet and similar fixture bends.

Note.—Roof flashings of durable material designed and constructed so that an adequate air space is provided between the pipe and flashing are recommended. The term "substantial material" as used in this section is intended to mean 3 lb. sheet lead, or copper, brass or galvanized iron of adequate weight and construction.

Section 25. *Earthenware with Metal Floor Connections.*—The connections between soil pipe and fixtures with combined earthenware, vitreous china or enameled iron may be made with a solid brass floor plate, not less than 3/16 in. thick, soldered, screwed or calked to bend or pipe, securely anchored to the floor and bolted to trap flange (Fig. 46).

Joints should be made air-tight with an adequate asbestos graphite ring or asbestos gasket washer. To insure the tightness of this joint a paste of red or white lead or other equal compound of the consistency of putty, should be used. Add sufficient putty or whiting to the red lead to make the proper mixture (Fig. 47). Various patented joints of approved make are usually permissible.

Section 26. *Water and Air-tight Joints.*—All joints and connections mentioned under this title should be of substantial construction and be made water-tight and air-tight.

Section 27. *Connections to Lead Closet or Similar Bend.*—It is recommended that no waste pipes conveying hot water be branched into lead bends receiving the discharge of water-closets or other similar fixtures, except that for economical and practical installation reasons it may be permitted in cases where new fixtures are added to old installations (Fig. 46).

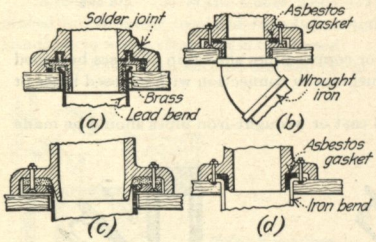


FIG. 47.—Methods of making earthenware to metal floor connection.

Surface and Rain Water Connections

Section 28. (*a*) *Rain Water Leaders Not to Connect to Sanitary Sewer.*—Roof leaders or down-spout wastes and surface and ground water drains should be connected wherever possible with a storm sewer; but they should not be connected to house sewers which discharge into sanitary sewers.

(*b*) *Inside Leaders.*—All roof leaders, when placed within the walls of any building, in an interior court, or in a ventilating or pipe shaft, should be made and placed as specified for soil, waste and vent pipes.

(*c*) *Connections with Rain Water Leaders—When Prohibited.*—Rain water leaders should not be used as soil, waste or vent pipes; nor should any soil, waste or vent pipes be used as rain water leaders.

(*d*) *Defective Rain Water Leaders.*—When an existing rain water leader within the walls of any building becomes defective, such leader should be replaced by one which conforms to the sanitary requirements.

(*e*) *Rain Water Leaders When Connected to Drains.*—When rain water leaders are connected to house drains within the building, the horizontal part extending 2 ft. inside the basement wall and the vertical portion outside the building wall should terminate with the hub at grade line, and should be made of cast iron of same weight and durability as provided for house drains (see Fig. 48).

(*f*) *Roof Terminal Connections.*—Connections between gutters, troughs, roof areas and rain water leaders inside the building should be made of durable material (see Section 19*e*). *Note.*—The term "durable" material as used in this section means a brass ferrule, a brass soldering nipple, extra light lead pipe, 12 oz. copper, No. 18 gage brass or cast iron receivers properly connected with calk or screw joint, or the equivalent of any of those mentioned above.

(*g*) *Rain Water Drains to Curb.*—Where no sewer is accessible, or where rain water is prohibited from entering the sanitary sewer, surface inlets and rain water conductors should be drained separately to the curb line where practicable by drain pipes not less than 4 in. in diameter, and discharged into the public gutter, unless permitted to drain elsewhere.

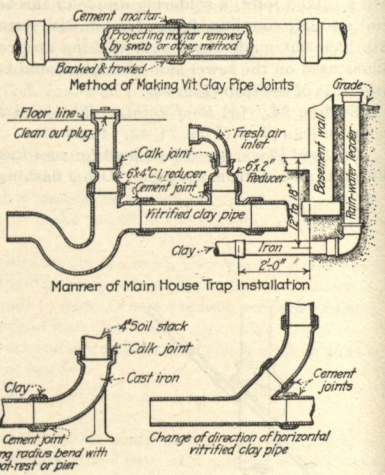


FIG. 48.—Methods in connection with the installation of vitrified clay house drains.

Miscellaneous Provisions

Section 29. *Three-inch Soil Stack.*—Where a 3-in. soil pipe stack is in place, or where it is wholly impracticable to use a 4-in. soil pipe for water-closets, a 3-in. soil pipe may be used for vertical stacks which should conform in construction with Fig. 49, also Table 1.

Section 30. *Rural Residence. Installation.*—Where plumbing is to be installed in a small rural residence with main sewer draining into a residential septic tank, it may be done in accordance with Figs. 29 and 50. The piping must, however, be so designed that every fixture trap is protected from siphonage, and air circulation assured by means of a fresh air inlet on main drain and a vent where necessary.

Section 31. *Hot Water and Steam Wastes.*—All exhaust, blow-off, sediment or drip pipe connections from a steam boiler or any other hot water discharge should not be connected to any house sewer or drain without first being cooled below a temperature of 140 deg. F. in a suitable tank, catch basin or other cooling device; when necessary such installation must be provided with an adequate local vent or relief pipe, extending to the outer air

Note.—The capacity of the catch basin or other cooling device and the relief pipe depends upon the steam pressure carried, size of the boiler, and volume discharged.

Section 32. *Terminals.*—The roof terminals of all vent pipes should be extended at least 3 ft. above any door, window, scuttle, air shaft or other opening used for ventilation when located at a distance less than 12 ft.

from such terminal (Figs. 22 and 23). When it is necessary to extend the roof terminals of soil, waste or vent pipes more than 3 ft. above the roof, they should have an adequate frost-proof covering.

Whenever a new building is erected higher than an adjacent existing building, the owner of the new building should not locate windows within 12 ft. of an existing vent stack on the lower building, unless the owner of such new building defrays the expenses or makes, himself, the alterations necessary to conform with this requirement.

Section 33. *Waste Pipes for Acid Tanks.*—The waste pipes and traps for acid tanks, sinks and other receptacles receiving the discharge of acids in chemical laboratories, electrotyping, lithographing and other similar establishments must be made of extra heavy cast iron, coated inside and out with tar and asphaltum, extra heavy lead pipe, or lead-lined iron pipe of adequate durability. The waste pipes may be of vitrified clay when placed outside the building, or when serving within the building as a local conveyor between acid tank, dilution tank, or other receiving basin.

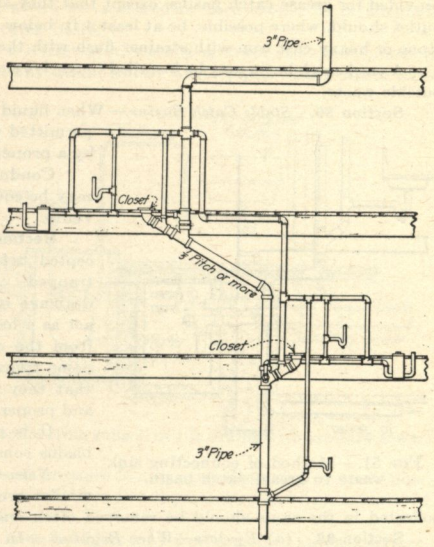


FIG. 49.—Method of installing closets on 3-in. pipe.

Catch Basins, Sumps and Ejectors

Section 34. (*a*) *Grease Catch Basins.*—All grease catch basins should be constructed in a water-tight and substantial manner of brick, cement, concrete, iron or vitrified clay pipe. The outlet should be provided with a 4-in. inverted bend and clean-out, should be submerged at least 8 in., and should be placed in the wall of the basin not less than 2 ft. 6 in. above the bottom. The basin should have an air-tight stone, cement or cast-iron cover.

(*b*) *Where Used.*—Grease catch basins of adequate capacity are usually required wherever kitchen or other greasy wastes from hotels, restaurants, club houses, public institutions or similar places are discharged into the sewer. In many localities grease catch basins may be omitted from the plumbing system of a private residence.

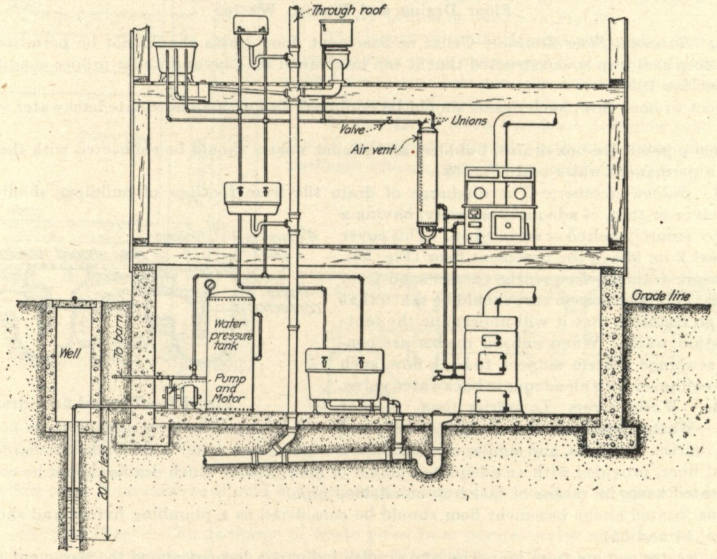


FIG. 50.—Rural home comforts.

Note.—Grease traps of the water-cooled type properly designed, constructed and installed and of adequate capacity usually are permitted and are recommended.

(*c*) *Where Located.*—Whenever possible, grease catch basins should be installed just outside the wall of the building, and as near as possible to the kitchen or other sink. Where they are installed on the inside of buildings,

they should be made of cast iron or reinforced concrete, with air-tight iron cover. Concrete catch basins should have a metal ring embedded in the concrete to which cover may be bolted (Fig. 51).

Section 35. *Yard Catch Basins.*—A yard catch basin should be constructed in the same general manner as provided for grease catch basins, except that they should be at least 20 in. in diameter, and in cold climates the outlet should, where possible, be at least 4 ft. below the surface of the ground. The basin should have a cover of stone or heavy cast iron with strainer flush with the surrounding ground.

A yard catch basin may be installed to receive surface drainage or discharge from pump, yard, hydrant or other outside waste.

Section 36. *Stable Catch Basins.*—When liquid wastes from barns, stables, manure pits and stable yards are permitted to enter the public sewer system, they should be intercepted by a properly trapped catch basin of suitable design.

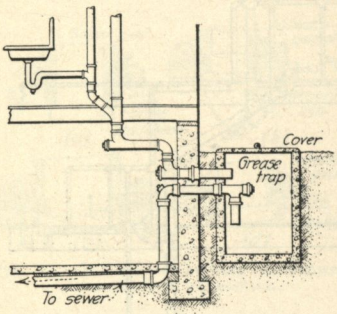


FIG. 51.—Method of connecting sink waste to grease catch basin.

Conductors or down-spouts when permitted in a sewerage system may be connected with such stable or barn catch basins to act as local vents.

Section 37. *Garage Catch Basins.*—Garage drains should be intercepted before entering the sewer by a suitable catch basin properly trapped. A 4-in. conductor pipe when permitted to connect with house drainage or sewerage system may be connected to this catch basin to act as a local vent. In the absence of the latter, a 4-in. fresh air inlet from the outer air or a local vent through the roof is recommended. Some types of commercial "garage intercepting basins" are so designed that they may be recommended. Size of basin, method of installation and proper connection are important factors.

It is recommended that garage drains discharge into yard catch basins constructed in the manner provided in Sect. 35.

Note.—Grease, yard, stable and garage catch basins and other similar receptacles must be kept clean and sanitary. The sediment collected in the same should be removed often enough to prevent obstruction of the drainage pipes.

Section 38. (*a*) *Ejectors—When Required.*—In all buildings in which the whole or a part of the drainage and plumbing system lies below the flow line of the main sewer, the sewage or house wastes should be lifted by artificial means and discharged into the main sewer.

(*b*) *Sumps and Receiving Tanks.*—All house drains discharging below the floor line of the main sewer should be connected to a sump of adequate capacity with air-tight cover. It should be so located as to receive all such drainage by gravity and be vented with an adequate vent pipe.

Floor Drains and Fixture Wastes

Section 39. *Basement Floor Drains.*—Cellar or basement floor drains should not be permitted unless they connect with a deep seal trap so constructed that it can be cleaned readily, and under proper conditions sewer air excluded (see Section 10*b*).

When subject to back flow, such drains should be equipped also with an adequate backwater valve (see Sect. 21 and 10).

Note.—When possible ice-box drains, bubblers and similar wastes should be connected with the floor drain so as to maintain a permanent water seal (Fig. 52).

Section 40. *Subsoil Receiver.*—The discharge of drain tile from footings of buildings should be collected in a subsoil receiver or trap, of adequate capacity, having a water-tight cover securely bolted or screwed on. This cover should be at least 2 in. above the basement floor (Fig. 53).

Note.—Subsoil drainage frequently carries sand from surrounding soil. For this reason care should be taken that the tile is not so installed that it will undermine the footings of foundation walls. When subsoil drains are connected to the sewerage system subject to back flow, such drains must be equipped with an adequate backwater valve.

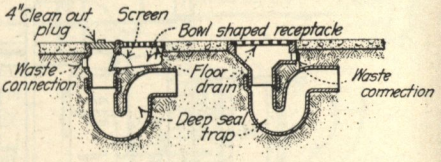


FIG. 52.—Typical floor drains.

Section 41. *Wastes from Laundries and Similar Establishments.*—Waste pipes in dye houses, breweries, bottling works, dairies, laundries, and similar establishments where much water is used may discharge directly upon a non-absorbent floor, provided with an adequate number of floor drains, which drains should be connected to the house or yard catch basin by means of cast iron or vitrified pipe.

Floor drains located above basement floor should be considered as a plumbing fixture and should be of adequate size (Figs. 54 and 55).

Note.—The wastes coming from laundries and similar industries located above the basement floor may, as a result of the production of soapsuds, create conditions that will affect the flow of wastes coming from other fixtures on the same soil or waste line. An independent line or lines, as the case may require, should therefore be provided.

Section 42. *Soda Fountain Wastes.*—Bar, soda fountain and similar wastes may be installed in accordance with one of the methods shown in Fig. 56.

The trap, waste and vent pipes may be located at either side of the bar or at any convenient point at the side of the bar.

Note.—It is recommended that the washing compartments be provided with standing waste and overflow pipe, and that a continuous flow of fresh water be maintained while the bar or fountain is in use.

Section 43. *Ice House and Storage Drains.*—The floor drains in ice house and refrigerator rooms, markets, slaughter-houses, storage rooms for provisions, or any room where ice is stored or used should be of adequate size, properly trapped, and when necessary discharge into a catch basin.

Section 44. *Refrigerator Wastes.*—The waste pipe from a refrigerator, ice box or trap, or any receptacle in which provisions are stored should not connect directly with any drain, soil or waste pipes. Such waste pipes should be so arranged that they may be flushed properly (Fig. 57).

Section 45. *Areas and Court Drains.*—When permitted to connect to the sanitary or house drainage system, the various drains from small yards, areas and courts may be connected together and their contents discharged into a yard catch basin, an adequate basement floor drain or a deep seal trap, so located that it is readily accessible for cleaning and is protected from frost. The surface opening of the drain to catch basin must be provided with an adequate strainer, and where necessary with a back flow valve.

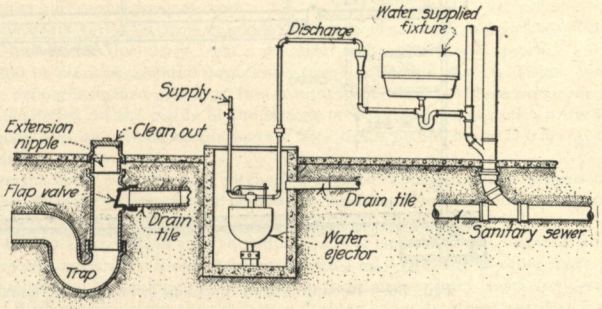


FIG. 53.—Method of connecting subsoil or tile drains with sanitary sewer.

Section 46. *Elevator Connections.*—All hydraulic elevators, lifts and motors in order to prevent back pressure in any sewer drain, soil or waste pipe, should discharge into a tank of adequate capacity. Such tanks should have an adequate deep seal trap or inverted bends and where necessary a back-water valve (also see Sect. 10 and 21).

Section 47. *Bubbler Waste—How to Drain.*—Waste pipes from bubblers may discharge into an open fixture, trapped funnel or floor drain. Such waste pipes, however, should be trapped to preclude their use as a local vent for cellar, etc.

When bubblers are connected directly to soil, waste or drain pipes, they should be trapped and vented properly (Fig. 58).

Section 48. *Dental Cuspidors.*—Dental cuspidors when connected to a waste pipe must be effectively trapped, and may be adequately vented as shown in Fig. 59.

The length of the horizontal waste pipe between the vent pipe and trap must not exceed 15 ft. The total fall of the horizontal waste pipe between trap and vent should not exceed the inside diameter of said waste pipe.

Section 49. *Cistern Overflow.*—Overflow pipe from cisterns should not connect directly with any house sewer, but should discharge into an open fixture, catch basin or floor drain.

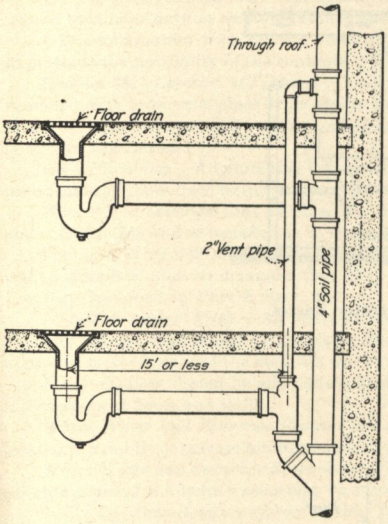


FIG. 54.—Method of connecting wash room and similar floor drains.

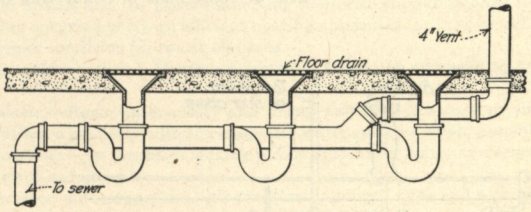


FIG. 55.—Method of connecting large floor drains.

Note.—Overflow pipes from cisterns should not discharge, however, into sanitary sewers intended for domestic use only.

Section 50. *Overflow Pipes.*—The discharge of waste pipes from pumps, water motors, overflow pipes from water supply tanks, expansion tanks and drip pans should be provided for in the same manner as for refrigerator wastes.

Plumbing Fixtures

Section 51. (*a*) *Fixtures—Water-closets.*—All water-closets should be made of porcelain or vitreous chinaware. The bowl and trap should be of the combined pattern in one piece, and should hold a sufficient quantity of water and be of such shape and form that no fecal matter will collect on the surface of the bowl. All water-closets should be equipped with adequate flushing rims, so as to flush and scour the bowl properly when discharged.

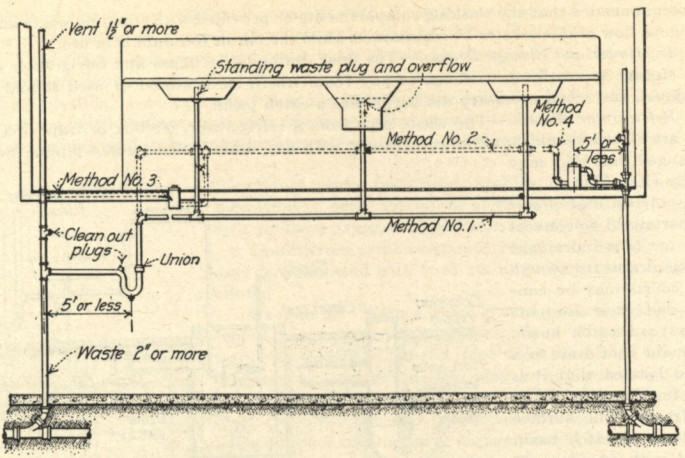


FIG. 56.—Recommended methods of connecting soda fountain wastes.

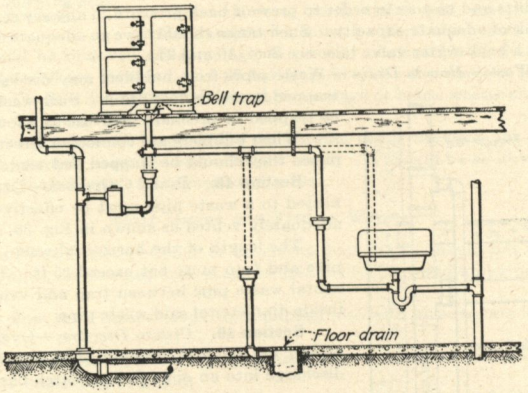


FIG. 57.—Methods of connecting refrigerator wastes.

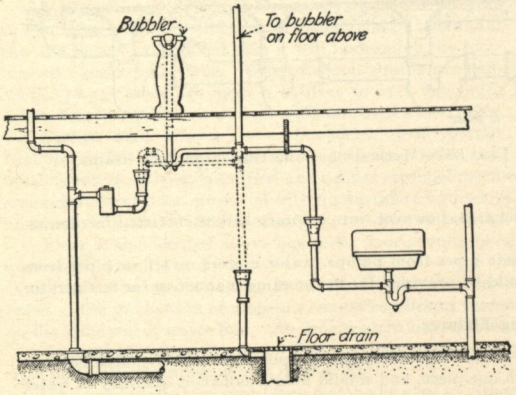


FIG. 58.—Three methods of connecting bubbler wastes.

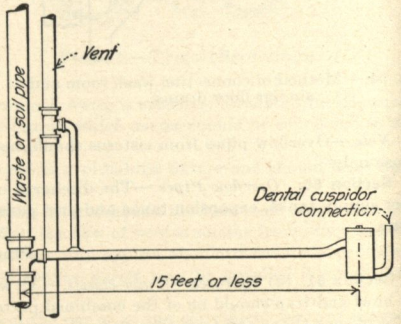


FIG. 59.—Dental cuspidor installation.

Note.—For public buildings, the bowl should be of the heavy pattern, large throatway, of siphonic action type.

(*b*) *Frost-proof Closets, When Permitted.*—Frost-proof closets should be installed only in compartments which have no direct connection with any building used for human habitation. The soil pipe between the hopper and the trap must be of cast iron, 4 in. in diameter, and free from offsets. This type of closet should be used only in buildings subject to extreme frost conditions. When frost-proof closets are installed, the bowl must be of vitreous chinaware or iron enameled inside and outside, of the flush rim pattern, provided with an adequate tank, and automatically drained to guard the fixtures and piping against frost.

Note.—The installation and use of the above type of fixture should be discouraged as much as possible. Under the most favorable conditions little can be said for this closet from a practical and sanitary standpoint.

Section 52. *Urinals.*—Urinals should be made of material impervious to moisture, and of such design, materials and construction that they may be properly flushed and kept in a sanitary condition. If cast iron is used in the construction of urinals, it must be enameled on the inside of the trough or bowl and coated with a durable paint or enameled on the outside. Trough and lip urinals should have a floor drain placed below the urinal and the floor should be graded toward the drain.

Note.—Individual urinals rising from the floor, with the floor pitched toward the urinal, made of porcelain or vitreous chinaware, and equipped with an effective automatic, or equivalent, flushing device and adequate local vent, are recommended.

Section 53. *Bath tubs, Sinks and Laundry Tubs.*—Bath tubs should be made of earthern ware, vitreous chinaware, enameled iron ware or other impervious material. Sinks and laundry tubs may be made of other materials where conditions make it necessary. They should be equipped with adequate traps and sanitary waste stoppers.

(*a*) *Flush Tanks.*—All flush tanks or flushometer valves should have a flushing capacity of not less than 3 gal. for water-closets and not less than one gallon for urinals, and be so installed that they are protected against frost, tampering, etc.

(*b*) *Drinking Water.*—Systems and installations supplying drinking water shall be of durable material and so constructed and installed that pollution or contamination is not reasonably possible.

(*c*) *Water Supply to Fixtures.*—All water-closets, urinals or other plumbing fixtures should be provided with a sufficient supply of water for flushing them in a sanitary manner.

(*d*) *Capacity for Flushing.*—All systems, installations and pipes supplying water for the flushing of closets, urinals or similar fixtures shall be of sufficient capacity and size to provide adequate volume and pressure.

(*e*) *Contamination from Fixture Connection.*—The water supply to any fixture shall be so placed as reasonably to preclude the possibility of the contents of such fixtures being syphoned or drained into the water supply pipes.

Section 54. *Location of Fixtures.*—Toilet rooms and bathrooms should have at least one outside window or be provided with local vent pipes or air shafts so as to insure at least four changes of air per hour. Local vents or air shafts for toilet rooms shall not be connected with the plumbing system and must be so installed as to provide adequate ventilation.

Open Plumbing.—All plumbing fixtures should be installed or set free and open from all enclosing work. Where practicable all pipes from fixtures, except fixtures with integral traps rising from the floor, should be run to the wall.

Note.—It is essential that all plumbing fixtures for public building service be of high grade, and of such design and construction and so installed as to be practically fool-proof.

Piping.—Wherever practicable, the piping, tanks, flushing devices, traps, etc., should be installed exposed in a utility chamber and so arranged that they are accessible for the removal of stoppages (see chapter on "Public Comfort Stations" in Part I, Sect. 4).

Protection against Frost.—All water-closets and urinals and the pipes connecting therewith should be protected properly against frost, either by a suitable insulating covering or by an efficient heating apparatus, or in some other approved method, so that the facilities will be in proper condition for use at all times.

Note.—Toilets should be adequately heated in cold weather. Heating equipment should be arranged to permit cleaning of floors and walls.

Where Water and Sewerage Systems are Available.—Each water-closet and urinal and each lavatory or sink located in a public or private building should be connected properly with sewerage and water systems where possible.

Where Water and Sewerage Systems are Not Available.—In localities lacking public systems of water and sewerage, the disposal of human wastes may be accomplished as follows:

1. By an efficient water system of the "compressed air storage" or "air pressure delivery" type and a proper sewage treatment tank and disposal units, as existing conditions may require.

2. By outdoor privies or other toilet conveniences permitted by federal, state or local authorities, when local conditions make it impractical to install a water supply and sewage disposal system.

Repairs and Reconstruction

Section 55. (*a*) *Old Materials Re-used.*—All fixtures, soil, waste and vent pipes removed from an old building, if found to be in good condition, may under the requirements of most ordinances be used in the same building or in another building. In some instances written consent is required of the owner of the building in which such fixtures are to be installed.

(*b*) *Old House Drains.*—Old house drains may be used in connection with new buildings or new plumbing only when they are found on examination or test to conform to the requirements governing for new sewers and drains. If the old work is found defective, the local or state inspector usually notifies the owner of the changes necessary to make it conform to the requirements of the ordinance.

(*c*) *Fixtures Replaced.*—When an old or defective fixture is removed, to be replaced by a new one, and no other fixture or piping is to be added or remodeled, it may not be necessary to reconstruct the soil, waste or vent piping to make it conform to rules governing, unless the same is in a defective condition. In such cases, if found necessary, the fixtures should be provided with efficient deep seal traps or deep seal resealing traps of the self-scouring centrifugal type.

(*d*) *Reconstruction.*—When old or defective plumbing is to be remodeled, additional fixtures installed or the whole plumbing system moved to another part of the building, then the remodeled system should be made to conform reasonably to the regulations in force.

(*e*) *Repairs.*—All repairs to fixtures or piping should be made in a substantial, sanitary and workmanlike manner.

(*f*) *Insanitary Installations.*—No fixtures or installations should be maintained which are insanitary or of improper design,

Inspections and Tests

Section 59. (*a*) *Local Inspections.*—All piping of a drainage or plumbing system in cities having local plumbing inspectors (except in case of repairs as specified in subsection *m*) should be tested by the plumber in charge in the manner herein provided, in the presence of the local inspector of plumbing or his authorized deputies. Where no state or local inspector is provided, the engineer, architect, owner, or a competent representative should arrange to witness all tests prescribed.

(*b*) *Materials and Labor.*—The material and labor for tests should be furnished by the plumber in charge.

(*c*) *House Drain Tests.*—The entire house drain with all its branches, receptacles and connections, should be brought so far as practicable to the surface or grade of the basement floor and tested with water or air. Upon being found free from defects and leaking joints, the test may be considered satisfactory.

(*d*) *Stable and Garage Tests.*—If a stable, garage or any part thereof is used for human habitation, or is so constructed that it may be used as such, the same tests should be made as for an ordinary dwelling.

(*e*) *Rain Leader Tests.*—Rain water leaders and their roof connections where they are permitted within the walls of any building, and such branches as connect with the house drain 3 ft. beyond the basement wall, should be tested with water or air.

(*f*) *Covering of Work.*—No part of any plumbing or drainage system should be covered until it has been inspected, tested, and approved. If any part is covered before being tested and approved, it should be uncovered at the direction of the inspector.

(*g*) *Final Inspection.*—When the plumbing or drainage system is completed and fixtures are installed, the final inspection should be made; and no such plumbing or drainage system should be used until it has been inspected and approved, unless special permission is given by the proper authorities for its temporary use.

(*h*) *Inspection for Changes or Alterations.*—When additional fixtures are installed or the style or location of any fixture is changed or when changes are made in the piping system, the work should be inspected.

(*i*) *Soils, Waste and Vent Tests.*—Soil, waste and vent pipes, rain water leaders and all work known as "roughing in" and "underfloor work" between the house drain connections to points above the finished floors and beyond the finished face of walls and partitions should be tested.

(*j*) *Water and Air Test.*—The water test should be applied by closing all openings in the pipes with proper testing plugs to the highest opening above the roof, and completely filling the system with water, or an air test with pressure of at least 5 lb. should be used. If the pipes are found free from defects and leaking joints, the test may be considered complete and satisfactory. Buildings five or more stories high may be tested in sections as directed by the proper official.

(*k*) *Air Test.*—When water is not available, or when there is danger of freezing, the air test, with a pressure of at least 5 lb. may be used.

(*l*) *Smoke Test.*—The smoke test should be used in testing the sanitary condition of the drainage or plumbing system of all buildings where there is reason to believe it has become dangerous or defective on account of settlement of the building, abuse, accident or other cause.

The smoke machine should be connected to any suitable opening or outlet in the system. When the system is filled completely with dense pungent smoke, and the openings emit smoke, they should be closed, and an air pressure equivalent to a 1-in. water column applied, and left standing at least 10 min. If there is no leakage or forcing of trap seals, the system may be considered air- and gas-tight. Nothing coming under this provision should be construed, however, as prohibiting the removal of any clean-out or the unsealing of a trap to ascertain if the smoke has reached all parts of the system.

(*m*) *Tests for Repairs.*—Inspections may be made, but tests should not be required, after the repairing or replacing of any old fixture, faucet or valve by a new one to be used for the same purpose, forcing out stoppages, repairing leaks or relieving frozen pipes and fittings. Such repairs or alterations may not be construed to include cases where new vertical or horizontal lines of soil, waste, vent or interior rain water leaders are used or their relative locations changed. In a building condemned by the proper authorities because of insanitary conditions of house drainage or plumbing, tests and inspections should be made as for new buildings. In such cases repairs or alterations should be made which are necessary to make the plumbing sanitary.

Note.—No test nor inspection should be required where a house drainage and plumbing system or part thereof is set up for exhibition purposes; nor should a test be required (although inspection may be made) where the plumbing is placed in an outhouse, stable or detached building used exclusively for such purpose.

(*n*) *Preparations for Inspection.*—When work is ready for inspection the plumber in charge, or in case none is employed, the owner, should make such arrangements as will enable the inspector to reach all parts of the building

readily, should have present the proper apparatus and appliances for making the tests, and should furnish such assistance as may be necessary in making proper inspection.

(*o*) *Notice for Inspection.*—The plumber in charge, or the owner of the property in case no plumber is employed, should notify the inspector in person, by telephone or in writing when the work is ready for inspection. If the inspection is not made within a reasonable time after the notice is given, the plumber in charge, or the owner, may proceed with the work, or, where valid reasons exist, he may defer, or decline to make, the inspection.

Section 60. *Defects in Materials.*—If tests or inspection disclose defective material, leakage, or unworkmanlike construction, which does not conform to the sanitary requirements and which is condemned by the inspector, the same should be removed and replaced within three days, and when necessary retested.

The presence of any foreign substance, other than that provided for in the rules governing, about a joint or any part of a plumbing or drainage system should be sufficient cause for condemning such joint or part of the system. Any split fittings, hubs or defective materials which do not conform to the requirements, and which have been condemned by the proper authority, should be removed from the work and not used again.

Toilet Room Requirements for Public Buildings and Places of Employment

Note.—"Approval by the proper authorities," as used in the following sections, is intended to mean approval (1) by State or federal authorities in conformity with laws, rules and regulations governing, or (2) by the city plumbing inspector, building department, or health department (as the case may be), where such official or department acting under the provisions of a city ordinance issues an order or permit for the work in question.

Section 61. *Toilet Rooms Required.*—Every place of employment and every public building should have adequate toilet rooms, completely enclosed, and so arranged as to insure privacy; except that in foundries, rolling mills, blast furnaces, tanneries, and similar buildings, partitions enclosing toilets should be at least 7 ft. high, but need not in all cases be carried to the ceiling nor enclosed at the top, provided such ceiling is at least 15 ft. high, and provided such toilets are located in rooms which females are not allowed to enter.

Note.—Under some regulations the foregoing exemptions are permissible even though the ceiling is lower than 15 ft., if local ventilation through the closet bowl and urinals is supplied in an approved manner. Much time may be saved for employes, especially in factories, by the placing of toilet rooms on each occupied floor.

Section 62. *Toilet Rooms for the Two Sexes.*—Where the two sexes are accommodated, separate toilet rooms must be provided, except

(1) In apartment houses and private homes;

(2) If approved in writing by the proper authorities in buildings accommodating not more than five persons of both sexes, provided the door of such toilet room is kept locked and the key kept in a place accessible to all such persons. But whenever the number of such persons exceeds five, separate toilet rooms should be provided.

Entrances to toilet rooms for the two sexes should be properly separated by screens or otherwise, and should, wherever possible, be at least 20 ft. apart.

Section 63. *Sex Designated.*—Wherever women are employed or accommodated, each toilet room should be distinctly marked with regard to the sex which uses it, and no person should be allowed to use a toilet room assigned to the other sex, except as provided in Section 62.

Section 64. *Location, Light, Ventilation.*—Every toilet or bath room should be so located as to open to the outside light and air by windows or skylight openings directly upon a street, alley, court, or vent shaft, except as hereinafter provided. Every such vent shaft should have a horizontal area of at least 1 sq. ft. for each water-closet or urinal adjacent thereto, but the least dimension of such shaft, if one-story high, should not be less than 3 ft.; if two stories high, not less than 4 ft.; and 1 ft. additional for each additional story.

The glass area for a toilet room containing one closet or urinal should be at least 4 sq. ft., with 2 sq. ft. additional for each additional closet or urinal.

In addition to the windows herein required, each toilet room which contains more than three fixtures (closets and urinals) should have a vent flue of incombustible material, vertical or nearly so, running through the roof, with proper cap or hood, and of not less than the following size:

Four fixtures	8-in. pipe
Five or six fixtures	10-in. pipe
Seven to ten fixtures	12-in. pipe

But if the windows or skylights can not be opened, then vent pipes should be provided as specified in Sect. 65.

No toilet room should have a movable window or ventilator opening on any elevator shaft or any court which contains windows of sleeping or living rooms above; except that a toilet room containing not more than two closets may have a movable window on such court if the room has a vent flue running above the roof.

Section 65. *Location Without Outside Windows—When Permissible.*—If a location with outside windows is impracticable, a different location may be permitted, as follows:

(1) For a toilet used by not more than three persons, without special permit.

(2) For a toilet in a new building, used by more than three persons, only upon written approval.

(3) For a new toilet room in an existing buiiing, used by more than three persons, only with the written approval of the proper authorities. (Such approval usually is granted only where a location with outside windows is not reasonably possible.)

Where a toilet room without outside windows is permitted, it should have a fixed window or windows to an adjoining room, with glass area as provided above, arranged so as to furnish as much light as possible. Frosted or other translucent glass should be used when necessary for privacy. In no case should the floor be made of wood.

A vent flue of incombustible material should be provided, vertical or nearly so, running through the roof, with proper cap or hood, and of not less than the following size:

One fixture (closet or urinal)	6-in. pipe
Two fixtures	8-in. pipe
Three fixtures	10-in. pipe
Four or five fixtures	12-in. pipe
Six or seven fixtures	14-in. pipe
Eight to ten fixtures	16-in. pipe

Notes.—(1) Glass area 50% greater than required is recommended.

2. An air inlet is recommended if it can be made sound-proof.

3. A fan in the flue may be required if necessary for proper ventilation. If there is no fan a steam coil, or even an electric light at the bottom of the flue, will help to provide circulation. Where a metal vent pipe extends above the roof, a double pipe or other insulation against cold, is recommended.

4. Closets provided with a local vent are recommended and may be required in some cases before approval is granted.

Section 66. *Existing Toilet Rooms—Ventilation.*—Every toilet room heretofore installed, which is not adequately ventilated by outside windows or skylight, should be provided with a vent flue of size as specified in Section 65, in which flue a fan is required if necessary for proper ventilation.

Every such toilet room which cannot be kept sanitary should be moved so as to be open to outside light and air.

Section 67. *Artificial Light.*—Every toilet room (except in a private apartment) should be artificially lighted during the entire period that the building is occupied, wherever and whenever adequate natural light is not available, so that all parts of the room are easily visible.

Section 68. *Size.*—Every toilet room should have at least 10 sq. ft. of floor area, and at least 100 cu. ft. of air space, for each water-closet and each urinal.

Section 69. *Floor.*—The floor and base of every toilet room should be constructed of material (other than wood) which does not readily absorb moisture and which can be easily cleaned; except that wood floors may be used:

1. In private apartments.

2. If approved in writing by the proper authorities, in existing buildings where there is a wood floor in good condition and where such toilet will be used by not more than five persons; provided further that such room must have an outside window or skylight.

Section 70. *Walls and Ceilings.*—The walls and ceiling of every toilet room should be completely covered with smooth cement or gypsum plaster, glazed brick or tile, galvanized or enameled metal, or other smooth, non-absorbent material. For small toilet rooms receiving light use, wood may be used if well covered with two coats of body paint and one coat of enamel paint or spar varnish, kept clean and in good repair. But wood should not be used for partitions between toilet rooms, nor for partitions which separate a toilet room from any room used by the opposite sex. All such partitions should be as nearly sound-proof as possible.

Note.—Walls and partitions should be of light color to increase illumination and facilitate cleaning.

In large rooms a hose connection and floor drain should be provided.

Section 71. *Partitions Between Fixtures.*—Adjoining water-closets should be separated by partitions. Each individual urinal or urinal trough should be provided with a partition at each end and at the back, to give privacy. Where individual urinals are arranged in batteries, a partition should be placed at each end and at the back of the battery. A space of 6 to 12 in. should be left between the floor and the bottom of each partition. The top of the partition should be from 5½ to 7 ft. above the floor. Doors, of the same height as required for partitions, should be provided for water-closet compartments used by females. Doors at least 24 in. high, with the center of the door about 3 ft. above the floor, should be provided for water-closet compartments used by males. All partitions and doors should be of material and finish required in Sect. 70.

Note.—Wood is not recommended; if used, it should be hardwood.

Section 72. *Number of Closets and Urinals in Places of Industry.*—In every place of employment, whether heretofore or hereafter constructed, one water-closet should be provided for every 20 persons, or fraction thereof, of either sex.

In addition thereto, where more than 10 males are employed, one urinal should be provided for every 40 males, or fraction. Where not more than 10 males are employed, either a urinal should be provided or the water-closet should have a projecting lip and self-rising seat. Where trough urinals are used, each 2 ft. of trough should constitute one urinal.

Section 73. *Lavatories in Places of Industry.*—Adequate washing facilities should be provided in or near every toilet room. In new installations there should be at least one lavatory for every five fixtures (closets and urinals), or fraction.

Note.—One lavatory for every two or three fixtures is recommended.

Special washing facilities are required in certain industries, as: (1) in industries where lead, arsenic, or other poisonous or injurious materials are handled by the employes; (2) in industries where food is prepared or manufactured, and (3) in glue factories, foundries, machine shops and other industries where the employes' hands become dirty or greasy. Except that in industries of the last mentioned class, located in small towns, where the employes go home at noon, this requirement may be waived by the proper authorities. In new installations there should be at least one lavatory for every ten employes, or fraction, and hot water should be provided. Basins or troughs, equipped with stoppers, for common use are usually prohibited.

Notes.—(1) Washing facilities where the employe must necessarily wash in running water are recommended. A large trough without stopper, where each person washes in running water from an individual faucet, is generally better than separate bowls.

2. One lavatory or faucet for every five employes is recommended.

3. Adequate washing facilities are recommended for all industries.

4. Washrooms should be constructed according to the requirements for toilet rooms, as far as possible.

Section 74. *Schools.*—The following sanitary equipment conforms with requirements of most State and local units; in practice they are found adequate, chosen appliances and other operating conditions being favorable:

One water-closet for every 20 females or fraction, except for grammar and primary grades, where there should be one water-closet for every 15 females or fraction.

One water-closet and one urinal for every 40 males or fraction, except for grammar and primary grades, where there should be one water-closet and one urinal for every 30, males or fraction. Toilet accommodations for males and females should be placed in separate rooms with doors not less than 20 ft. apart. A drinking fountain and sink should be installed in each story and basement, for each 6000 sq. ft. of floor area, or fraction. A proper number of wash bowls should be provided.

Note.—Ordinarily there should be at least one wash bowl for every two closets and urinals. Wash bowls should be placed either in the toilet room or immediately outside. Drinking fountains should in no case be placed within the toilet room enclosure.

Section 75. *Theatres and Assembly Halls.*—Separate toilet rooms in connection with the auditorium should be provided for males and females. One closet should be installed for each 200 females or fraction, and one closet and one urinal for each 300 males or fraction, assuming the audience to be equally divided between males and females.

Section 76. *Apartment Houses, Hotels, Lodging Houses, Dormitories, Hospitals, Asylums, and Places of Detention.*—Every apartment should have a water-closet in a bathroom or separate compartment, except that where there are apartments consisting of but one or two rooms, there should be at least one water-closet for every two such apartments.

All other buildings of this classification should have at least one water-closet for every 15 rooms or fraction thereof.

Note.—Rooms with private water-closets should not be considered in counting either the number of rooms or the number of water-closets.

In every building of this classification where city water supply is available or can be made available, there should be at least one adequate sink or wash bowl with running water. In apartment houses there should be such a sink or wash bowl in each apartment.

Section 77. *When Water and Sewer Become Available.*—State and local regulations usually require that within a given time after water and sewer systems become available, water-closets, urinals and lavatories shall be provided. When water and sewer are not available, other toilet and washing facilities must be provided (see chapter on "Waterless Toilet Conveniences").

Section 78. *Drinking Water.*—Every public building should be supplied with sufficient pure drinking water, and the faucets or outlets for the same should be placed conveniently for users. Common drinking cups are usually prohibited, for well-known hygienic reasons. Sanitary drinking fountains should be installed or individual cups provided (see Art. 19 in the preceding chapter.)

References

(1) For detailed requirements regarding plumbing fixtures consult Sections 51 to 54 inclusive.

(2) For piping and other regulations, consult preceding sections, also chapter on "Public Comfort Stations."

(3) For requirements where public water supply and sewerage are not available, consult chapters on "Public Comfort Stations" and "Waterless Toilet Conveniences."

23. Suggestions for Engineers, Architects, and the General Public.—Where modern state laws or local ordinances on this subject exist, you will insure sanitary and reasonably durable plumbing if you provide in your specifications and contract with your plumber that all work must be performed in accordance with laws, rules and regulations, both state and local. You should require, further, that a certificate of inspection issued by the proper authority be furnished by the plumber before payment is made for the whole or any part of the system to be installed under the plans, specifications, agreement or contract.

When selecting plumbing fixtures for home, office, school, factory, or other types of buildings, make sure that they are of sanitary design and free from defects, and suitable for the purpose intended.

Experience has demonstrated that extra heavy cast-iron soil pipe with durable lead branches, bends, joints and connections properly supported and protected will render the most satisfactory service for ordinary residences or small buildings. For other buildings the plumbing and drainage should be designed to meet the construction of the building and the purpose for which it is to be used.

The use of cast-iron pipe for all underground house drains within the building is strongly recommended. It will cost slightly more to install but is safer from a sanitation standpoint and less liable to cause trouble by clogging due to settling or breakage.

The object of ventilation in a system of drainage or plumbing is to keep the air within the pipe in circulation and thus remove foul air caused by decomposition of solids; to prevent unequal air pressure within the system which may force trap seals or retard the flow of waste water; to prevent the pernicious effects of sewer gas on lead and iron pipes; and to protect the traps against siphonage. The avoidance of dead ends is essential.

Stoppage in sewers between the main in street and the building is due generally to one or more of the following causes, which in most cases is easily preventable: Insufficient fall, defective joints and connections, changes in direction improperly made, inadequate flushing, tree roots, grease and improper usage. Stoppages in the drainage system within the building are often caused by poorly made joints, improper connections, change of direction, insufficient flushing, grease, matches, hair pins, and other indifferent usage.

The cheapest method of installing plumbing and sewerage is not always the most economical in the end.

In spite of all the safeguards provided by states and cities, all plumbers do not show the same degree of efficiency in workmanship.

Plumbing that is properly installed and given reasonable care will not become insanitary nor dangerous to health.

Buildings intended for human habitation should be reasonably free from dampness, should have an abundant supply of pure fresh air, sunshine and pure water, and should be equipped with the essential sanitary conveniences.

Privy vaults, unclean plumbing fixtures (especially toilets and urinals), defective drains and the discharge terminals of drainage systems assist flies, rats and other vermin in spreading typhoid fever and other water-borne diseases.

When the use of disinfectants is required, consult your local health officer.

It is important that public toilet rooms be properly located, adequately designed, provided with plenty of light and air, and kept in good repair, clean and sanitary.

It is also important that tank pulls, seats, walls, and floors be frequently and thoroughly cleaned and kept clean, and that they are made of such materials and construction that this can be done.

Materials of wood, and materials otherwise unprotected, should be kept well painted.

SECTION 6

ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT

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The use of electrically operated machinery and apparatus has become so extended that sooner or later some form of electrical equipment is installed in nearly every building. In order that the installation may be economical and efficient, provisions should be made in the first plans of the building for such installation and for the necessary wiring.

Although specific rules which will apply in every case without modification and adaptation cannot be given, nevertheless, there are many general principles which do apply and a knowledge of these will be of assistance in planning the installations.

1. Electrical Quantities.—The electrical terms that are commonly used in connection with electric installations are the names of electrical quantities such as energy, power, current, electromotive force or pressure, resistance, and the names of electrical apparatus. The electrical quantities have certain definite relations so that often if two are known, another, and sometimes more than one, may be calculated or determined by the aid of these relations.

2. Electrical Energy.—Although energy is not the simplest of electrical quantities, nevertheless as the purpose of most electrical installations is the efficient transformation and utilization of energy, it will be considered first. An electric motor or an electric lamp is merely a machine or device for transforming electrical energy. This energy is conveyed to the motor or to the lamp by means of wires. In order that the amount of energy used by different pieces of equipment may be compared or calculated, the energy must be measured. There are several units of energy in practical use, just as there are many units of volume or of length. The smallest practical unit of electrical energy is the *watt-second*. The watt-second is a very small unit so in practice a much larger one is used. The more common unit is the *kilowatt-hour*. A kilowatt-hour of energy is equal to 3,600,000 watt-seconds. A kilowatt-hour of energy, if converted into heat and utilized in melting ice, will melt 23.76 lb. It will light a 25-watt tungsten lamp for 40 hr., or operate a 1-horsepower motor for about $1\frac{1}{3}$ hr. Energy is a physical quantity, and it is that which operates lamps and motors, heats flatirons, and for which payment is exacted by the public utility company.

3. Power.—Electrical apparatus is usually rated in terms of power—that is, in terms of the amount of energy the apparatus will consume or develop in some unit of time, usually the second or hour. Thus a motor that develops 1 kilowatt-hour in 1 hr. is said to be a 1-kilowatt motor. That is to say, power is the rate at which energy is being transferred, transformed or consumed. The unit of power is the *watt* or *kilowatt*. The *kilowatt* is 1000 times as large as the watt. The total amount of energy consumed by any piece of apparatus is obtained by multiplying the rate at which the energy is being consumed by the time of its operation. Thus a lamp rated as a 25-watt lamp is one that consumes 25 watt-seconds of energy in every second. In 1 hr. a 25-watt lamp will consume $25 \times 3600 = 90{,}000$ watt-seconds of energy, or $90{,}000 \div 1000 = 90$ kilowatt-seconds. Since 1 kilowatt-hour = 3,600,000 watt-seconds, it will take a 25-watt lamp, $3{,}600{,}000 \div 90{,}000 = 40$ hr. to consume 1 kilowatt-hour of energy.

Illustrative Problem.—A 25-hp. motor is installed to operate an elevator. How many kilowatt-hours of energy will it consume in a 10-hr. day if the average load is only 15 hp. and the efficiency of the motor is 85%?

$$1 \text{ hp.} = 746 \text{ watts.}$$

$$15 \text{ hp.} = (15)(746) = 11{,}190 \text{ watts.}$$

$$(11{,}190)(10) = 111{,}900 \text{ watt-hr.}$$

$$\frac{111.900}{1000} = 111.9 \text{ kw.-hr. at } 100\% \text{ efficiency.}$$

$$\frac{111.9}{0.85} = 131.6 \text{ kw.-hr. at } 85\% \text{ efficiency.}$$

Illustrative Problem.—What will be the cost of operating twenty-five 60-watt lamps for a month, 6 hr. per day, at 8c. a kilowatt-hour?

$$(25)(60) = 1500 \text{ watts.}$$
$$(1500)(6) = 9000 \text{ watt-hr. per day.}$$
$$(9000)(30) = 270{,}000 \text{ watt-hr. per month.}$$
$$\frac{270{,}000}{1000} = 270 \text{ kw.-hr. per month.}$$
$$(270)(0.08) = \$21.60, \text{ cost per month.}$$

4. Electrical Resistance.—Heat is one form of energy. The lighting of an incandescent lamp is due to the heating effect of electrical energy in the filament of the lamp. In other words, the lighting is produced by the conversion of electrical energy into heat by a property of the filament. This property is called *resistance.* The unit of resistance is the *ohm.* In concrete relations, the ohm is defined as the resistance of a column of mercury 106.3 centimeters long of uniform cross section and one square millimeter in cross section, at a temperature of melting ice. A length of 1000 ft. of No. 10 copper wire at a temperature of 25 deg. C. or 77 deg. F., has a resistance of one ohm. This is a concrete relation more easily remembered. In terms of energy units, it may be defined as that resistance in which one ampere will develop one joule of energy per second.

5. Effect of Temperature Upon Resistance.—When a metallic conductor is heated either externally or by the passage of an electric current, its resistance is increased. The resistance of electrolytes and of carbon decreases as their temperature increases or rises. This relation is expressed by the formula

$$R_t = R_o(1 + a_c t_c)$$

where t_c is expressed in degrees centigrade, and

$$R_t = R_o(1 + a_f t_f)$$

where the temperature change is expressed in Fahrenheit degrees. a is called the temperature coefficient. For pure metals $a_c = 0.00392$ and $a_f = 0.0022$. For electrolytes a is negative.

6. Electric Current.—Energy may be transferred from the point of its development to the point of its utilization in many ways. The common mechanical means are the spur gear, the belt, the cable, a stream or current of water, current of steam, and current of electricity.

In the first five cases the material body is a vehicle for transferring the energy, and its motion transfers the energy. In an electric circuit, the matter or material body connecting the source of energy with the instrument or apparatus where it is utilized does not move, but the energy is transferred by a current or stream of electricity. Perhaps in light of modern theory we should say of a current of electrons. Like water or steam the electricity (or electrons) is a vehicle of energy, and energy is said to be transferred by a current of electricity.

The practical unit current is the *ampere.* An ampere may be defined in many ways but for our purpose it may be defined as that current which will develop one watt-second, or one joule per second, of heat in a conductor whose resistance is 1 ohm. Another and more practical definition is basd on the chemical action of an electric current. Based on this principle an ampere is such a current as will deposit 1.118 milligrams of silver in 1 second from a standard solution of silver nitrate.

7. Electromotive Force or Electrical Pressure.—In order that a current of water or steam may transfer energy from one point to another, there must be a difference of pressure between the points. If there is no difference of pressure, no current will flow and no energy will be transferred.

In an analogous way the transfer of electrical energy from its source to points of utilization is due to difference of electrical pressure or electromotive force. Electromotive force is thus the cause of the flow of electricity which constitutes the current. The practical unit of electrical pressure is the *volt.* The volt may also be defined in many ways, but in terms of the units already defined, we may say that a volt is the pressure that will send a current of 1 ampere through a resistance of 1 ohm.

8. Ohm's Law.—The three physical quantities, electrical pressure, current, and resistance are related in a definite way, known as Ohm's law. This law is deduced from the results of experiments. It states that the current in a circuit is strictly proportional to the total electromotive force in the circuit. If we represent the current in amperes by I, the pressure in volts by E and the resistance in ohms by R, then in direct current circuits, Ohm's law is written

$$I = \frac{E}{R} \qquad R = \frac{E}{I} \qquad IR = E$$

Illustrative Problem.—A flatiron takes 4 amperes when connected to a 110-volt circuit. What is the resistance of the iron?

By Ohm's law, $R = \frac{E}{I}$ $E = 110$ volts $I = 4$ amperes

$$\therefore R = \frac{110}{4} = 27.5 \text{ ohms}$$

Illustrative Problem.—What pressure is required to send one-half ampere through a 220-ohm lamp?

By Ohm's law, $E = IR$. $I = \frac{1}{2}$ ampere. $R = 220$ ohms.

$\therefore E = (\frac{1}{2})(220) = 110$ volts.

Illustrative Problem.—A direct current pressure of 110 volts is connected to an electric chafing dish whose resistance is 22 ohms. What current does the chafing dish take?

By Ohm's law, $I = \frac{E}{R} = 110$ volts $R = 22$ ohms

$$\therefore I = \frac{110}{22} = 5 \text{ amperes}$$

9. Pressure or Voltage Drop.—In order that a current may flow through a conductor there must be a difference of electrical pressure between any two points on the conductor. If E_1 is the electrical pressure at one point and E_2 a lower pressure at another point, then $E_1 - E_2$ is the pressure drop. If R is the resistance of the conductor between two points, then by Ohm's law

$$\frac{E_1 - E_2}{R} = I$$

and

$$E = E_1 - E_2 = IR$$

In other words, the voltage drop between any two points of a conductor is equal to the product of the current flowing by the resistance of the conductor between the two points. The voltage drop across an incandescent lamp is the voltage between its two terminals and is equal to the current multiplied by the resistance of the lamp.

Illustrative Problem.—The current taken by a motor is 50 amperes. The motor is connected to a generator by wires whose resistance is 0.08 ohm. If the generator voltage is 220 volts, what is the pressure at the motor?

The voltage drop is IR. $I = 50$ amperes, $R = 0.08$ ohms. Then voltage drop $= (50)(0.08) = 4$ volts. The pressure at the motor is the difference between the generator voltage and the voltage drop or $220 - 4 = 216$ volts.

10. Heat Developed in a Wire.—The amount of heat developed by a current in a resistance was experimentally determined to be directly proportionate to the product of the resistance by the square of the current flowing by the time. Expressed algebraically this relation is given by

$$\text{Heat} = kI^2Rt$$

When I is expressed in amperes, R in ohms, and t in seconds, k is unity and the heat developed is expressed in watt-seconds. To express the heat in calories, k becomes 0.24 and the formula is

$$\text{Heat} = 0.24I^2Rt \text{ calories}$$

There are many examples of the heating effect of an electric current. The most common is the incandescent lamp in which a small filament of wire is heated to incandescence by the current. Likewise, electric flatirons, toasters and electric furnaces exemplify the same principle. Some heat is developed in every wire through which an electric current flows. In some cases, such as mentioned above, this heat is utilized, but in connecting wires and all light and power wires, this heat is wasted. In order to keep the loss within reasonable bounds the wires must have low resistance, especially where they carry heavy currents any distance as it is evident

from the formula that the heat developed is proportional to the square of the current. Doubling the current quadruples the heat generated in the same resistance.

The currents that copper wires will carry without over-heating, have been determined by the engineers of the National Board of Fire Underwriters. A table giving these currents is found on p. 1296.

When the current is measured in amperes and the resistance in ohms, k is 1, and we have joules $= I^2R$ per second, or watts $= I^2R$. But by Ohm's law, $IR = E$, and $I^2R = IE$. Therefore, IE = watts. That is, if the difference of pressure between two points of a conductor is E volts when a current of I amperes is flowing, there are IE watts of power being spent in the conductor between the two points. In t seconds, the energy spent will be EIt watt-seconds, or joules.

Illustrative Problem.—How many watt-seconds or joules of heat are developed in an hour in an electric stove which takes a current of 10 amperes and whose resistor has a resistance of 11 ohms?

Heat (joules) $= I^2Rt$, $I = 10$ amperes, $R = 11$ ohms, $t = 1$ hr. $= 3600$ sec.

$$\therefore \text{Heat} = (10^2)(11)(3600) = 3{,}960{,}000 \text{ joules} = 1.1 \text{ kw.-hr.}$$

Illustrative Problem.—What is the voltage drop across the resistor of preceding problem?

The voltage drop $= IR = (10)(11) = 110$ volts. But watts = volts $\times$ amperes, then 110 volts $\times$ 10 amperes = 1100 watts. 1100 watts supplied for one hour equals 1.1 kw.-hr. as above.

Illustrative Problem.—A tungsten lamp takes ¼ ampere at 110 volts. How much power is necessary to light the lamp?

Power $= EI$. $E = 110$ volts, $I = \frac{1}{4}$ ampere.

$$\therefore \text{Power} = (110)(\tfrac{1}{4}) = 27.5 \text{ watts.}$$

Illustrative Problem.—A 110-volt coffee percolator consumes 440 watts. What current does it take?.

Power or watts $= IE$. Then, $I = \frac{\text{watts}}{E}$. Watts = 440, and $E = 110$ volts.

$$\therefore I = \frac{440}{110} = 4 \text{ amperes.}$$

Illustrative Problem.—A current of 5 amperes flows through a 475-watt flatiron. What is the resistance of the flatiron?

I^2R = watts. Then $R = \frac{\text{watts}}{I^2}$. Watts = 475, and $I^2 = (5)(5) = 25$.

$$\therefore R = \frac{475}{25} = 19 \text{ ohms.}$$

Illustrative Problem.—How many watts are wasted in a 2-ohm rheostat when 25 amperes are flowing?

Watts $= I^2R$. $I^2 = (25)(25) = 625$, $R = 2$ ohms.

$$\therefore \text{Watts} = (625)(2) = 1250 = 1.25 \text{ kw.}$$

The energy spent in any given time is equal to the product of the power by the time. Since $I \times E$ = power, then $I \times E \times t$ = energy. If t is in seconds, the product IEt = joules or watt-seconds. If t is in hours, then IEt is watt-hours, and since 1000 watts = 1 kw., then $\frac{IEt}{1000}$ = kilowatt-hours.

Illustrative Problems.—How many kilowatt hours of energy is consumed by an electric range in 3 hr. if it requires 3500 watts for its operation?

$\frac{\text{watts} \times \text{hours}}{1000}$ = kilowatt-hours.

$$\therefore \frac{(3500)(3)}{1000} = 10.5 \text{ kw.-hr.}$$

Illustrative Problems.—Ten 25-watt tungsten lamps are burned on an average of 4 hr. per day for a month of 30 days. What is the monthly consumption?

$\frac{\text{watts} \times \text{hours}}{1000}$ = kilowatt-hours. Watts = (10)(25) = 250. Hours = (30)(4) = 120

$$\therefore \frac{(120)(250)}{1000} = 30 \text{ kw.-hr.}$$

Illustrative Problem.—A 10-hp. motor is operated on an average of 8 hr. per day at full load. What will be the monthly bill assuming operation for 26 days at 5c. a kilowatt-hour?

$\frac{\text{watts} \times \text{hours}}{1000}$ = kilowatt-hours. 1 hp. = 746 watts; then watts = (10)(746) = 7460. Hours = (26)(8) = 208.

$$\therefore \frac{(7460)(208)}{1000} = 1551.68 \text{ kw.-hr., and } (1551.68)(0.05) = \$77.58.$$

11. Electric Circuit.—When steam is used to transfer energy or to do work, it is conveyed from one point to another point by means of pipes. In the most efficient systems the steam is not permitted to escape after it has parted with its energy, but by means of return pipes, condenser, etc., it is returned to the boiler whence it started. It is thus made to pass through or around a path or circuit. It is kept in this path by pipes.

In an analogous way, electricity is conducted from one place to another by metallic conductors, and the metallic wires, along which the electric current flows from the generator to the lamp or other apparatus, are called the electric circuit. When every part of the circuit is metallic the current can flow and the circuit is said to be closed. An open circuit is a discontinuous circuit, or one in which there is a break.

All substances will not carry electricity with the same facility, hence substances are classified as *conductors* and *insulators*.

Conductors are substances which permit the electric current to flow with comparative ease. Most metals are good conductors, copper being one of the best.

Insulators are substances which do not transmit electricity with ease. Glass, porcelain, rubber, paraffin, shellac (dry), etc., are insulators. Both conductors and insulators are needed in an electric circuit; the conductor to form the path of the current and the insulator to prevent its escape. The wires commonly used in forming electrical circuits are therefore insulated.

12. Kinds of Electric Currents.—There are two kinds of electric currents in use, direct and alternating. Although there is no essential difference in the electricity, the manner in which it is made to flow develops distinguishing properties. A direct current is one in which the electricity, or electrons if we wish to use modern terms, is continually flowing in the same direction. The amount that flows per second may vary, but the direction of flow does not. A direct current is thus a continuous current so long as the circuit is closed. A battery is the best example of the source of a direct current. The current flows out at one electrode and returns to the other.

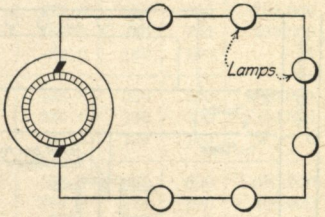


FIG. 1.

An alternating current is one whose intensity is constantly changing and whose direction of flow is reversed periodically. The motion of a pendulum is a good analogy for an alternating current. The speed of the pendulum constantly changes from one extreme position of its swing to the other extreme, and at these points it changes its direction of motion. In the same way, when a source of alternating electromotive force, such as an alternating-current generator, is connected to a circuit, the current rises from zero to a maximum value, decreases from this value to zero when it reverses its direction of flow and then increases to a maximum value in the opposite direction, and again decreases to zero. This cycle is repeated many times a second so long as the current flows. The number of cycles per second is called the frequency. The common frequencies in this country are 60 cycles per second for power and light, and 25 cycles per second for power. Twenty-five cycle current is sometimes also used for lighting but it is not so satisfactory on account of the resulting flickering of light.

13. Kinds of Circuits.—Energy is conveyed from its source to points of utilization by wires or conductors forming circuits. Circuits are classified with reference to the manner in which the energy is distributed by the electrical current, and also with reference to the kind of current; that is, direct or alternating.

The first method of classification gives *series circuits* and *divided circuits*. Divided circuits may be merely parallel circuits, or a combination of parallel and series circuits. A good example of series circuit, is the ordinary series street lighting circuit (Fig. 1). In the series circuit, the current passes undiminished through each part of the circuit. Different parts of the circuit may, however, absorb equal or different amounts of energy.

In the parallel circuit (Fig. 2), the current does not maintain a constant value throughout different parts of the circuit but is subdivided, each utilizing or energy-consuming device diverting some of the current. These parallel circuits may be equal or unequal depending upon

the design of the apparatus. The main advantage of the parallel circuit over the series circuit is the fact that it permits the subdivision of the electric current so that small and large energy-utilizing devices may be supplied from the same source. Indoor incandescent lighting circuits are invariably parallel circuits.

The circuits shown in Figs. 1 and 2 are what are known as two-wire circuits. Energy-utilizing devices such as lamps or motors in a series circuit, must be designed for the same current although the voltage drop across their terminals may be different. Apparatus intended for parallel connection must be designed for the same voltage but may have very much different current-carrying capacity. Thus, a 10-watt 110-volt lamp, a 450-watt 110-volt lamp and a 10-hp. motor may all be operated from the same pair of mains. The first lamp will take a current of less than 0.1 ampere while the motor will take a current of over 67 amperes at full load.

It has been shown that the energy lost in wires is proportional to the square of the current, hence if much energy is to be utilized at a considerable distance from its source, it is preferable to raise the voltage and reduce the current, but incandescent lamps designed for higher than 110 volts cannot be made readily for low-energy consumption. To utilize the higher voltage and also to use small low-voltage lamps, there has been designed the three-wire circuit shown in Fig. 3. The three-wire circuit is common especially in large cities.

14. Electrical Machines and Apparatus.—Electrical machines and apparatus are of three kinds: That by means of which the energy is developed or generated; that in which, or by which, the energy is utilized; and that used for transforming the energy either from one voltage to another or from alternating current to direct current, or vice versa.

The machines used for developing energy are called generators. Generators are classified as direct current and alternating current. The utilizing machines and apparatus are of various

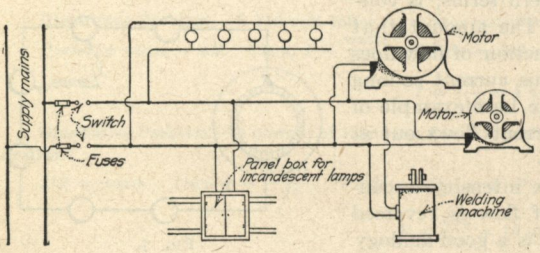


FIG. 2.

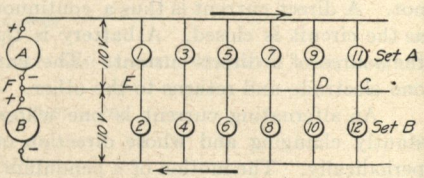


FIG. 3.

forms. Those used for power purposes are called motors. Most of the other forms depend on their operation upon the heating effect of the electric current. The incandescent lamp, electric flatiron, and electric stove are good examples.

The transforming apparatus is of three forms—static transformers, rotary or synchronous converters, and motor generators.

The static transformer is used to change alternating current at one voltage to alternating current at another voltage. The house voltage is usually 110 volts while the voltage between line wires may be 2300 volts or higher. By means of the transformer, the line voltage is stepped down so that it may be safely used in buildings.

A synchronous converter is a combination of an alternating-current motor and a direct-current generator in one machine. Alternating current entering at one end of the armature drives the machine, while direct current is taken from the armature at the other end.

A motor-generator is merely a combination of two separate machines, an a.-c. motor and a d.-c. generator, or a d.-c. motor and an a.-c. generator, depending upon which machine is the driver and which is the driven.

Generators are installed in isolated plants and in central stations. Where central station power is available, as in cities, generators are seldom installed anywhere except at the central station, but motors are installed in many buildings where power machinery is used. Motors are rated in horsepower or kilowatts, the rating being the full load output. Since motors never have an efficiency of 100%, the current intake of the motors will always be higher than that indicated by the rating. To convert the horsepower rating into watts, multiply by 746.

Illustrative Problem.—What is the current intake of a 25-hp. 220-volt d.-c. motor whose efficiency is 85%?
1 hp. = 746 watts. 25 hp. = (25)(746) = 18,650 watts.

$$\text{Watts intake} = \frac{18{,}650}{0.85} = 21{,}940 \text{ watts.} \quad \text{Current} = \frac{\text{watts}}{\text{volts}} = \frac{21{,}940}{220} = 99.7 \text{ or } 100 \text{ amperes.}$$

The following table gives the full load currents taken by d.-c. motors of the more common sizes and voltages, together with other useful data.

WIRING TABLE FOR DIRECT-CURRENT MOTORS

Horse-power	Voltage[1]	Approx. full-load current	Size of fuses	Size of switch	Size of wire, B. & S. gage
¼	110	2.4	6	10	14
	220	1.2	3	5	14
	500	0.5	1	5	14
½	110	4.8	6	10	14
	220	2.4	4	5	14
	500	1.0	2	5	14
1	110	8.4	12	15	14
	220	4.3	6	10	14
	500	1.8	3	5	14
2	110	17.0	25	25	10
	220	8.5	12	15	14
	500	3.7	5	5	14
2½	110	20.0	25	25	10
	220	10.0	15	15	12
	500	4.4	6	10	14
3	110	24.0	30	30	8
	220	12.0	15	25	12
	500	5.3	8	10	14
3½	110	28.0	35	35	8
	220	14.0	20	25	12
	500	6.0	8	10	14
5	110	40.0	50	50	6
	220	20.0	25	25	10
	500	8.8	12	15	14
7½	110	60.0	75	75	3
	220	30.0	40	50	8
	500	13.5	18	15	12
10	110	80.0	100	100	1
	220	40.0	50	50	5
	500	17.5	25	25	10
15	110	120.0	150	150	00
	220	60.0	75	75	3
	500	26.3	35	30	8
20	110	154.0	200	200	0000
	220	77.0	100	100	0
	500	34.0	45	50	6
25	110	192.5	250	250	250,000
	220	96.3	125	150	0
	500	42.4	60	75	5
30	110	232.0	300	300	300,000
	220	116.0	150	150	00
	500	50.8	70	75	3
35	110	270.0	350	400	450,000
	220	135.0	175	200	000
	500	59.2	75	75	3
40	110	310.0	400	400	500,000
	220	155.0	200	200	200,000
	500	67.8	90	100	2
50	110	377.0	500	500	700,000
	220	188.5	250	250	250,000
	500	83.0	110	100	1
60	110	452.0	550	600	900,000
	220	226.0	300	300	350,000
	500	99.5	125	150	0
70	110	528.0	660	600	1,000,000
	220	264.0	325	300	400,000
	500	116.0	150	150	00
75	110	568.0	710	800	1,200,000
	220	284.0	350	400	450,000
	500	124.0	150	150	00
80	110	604.0	755	800	1,300,000
	220	302.0	375	400	500,000
	500	133.0	175	200	000
90	110	680.0	850	800	1,500,000
	220	340.0	450	400	600,000
	500	149.0	200	200	200,000
100	110	746.0	933	1000	1,700,000
	220	373.0	450	400	600,000
	500	164.0	200	200	200,000
125	110	934.0	1168	1200	2,105,500
	220	467.0	600	600	900,000
	500	205.0	250	300	250,000
150	110	1106.0	1383	1200	2,400,000
	220	553.0	691	600	1,100,000
	500	245.0	300	300	350,000

[1] 110-volt data applies to voltages of from 100 to 125 volts, 220-volt data to 200 to 250 volts and 500-volt data to 500 to 600 volts.

15. Alternating-current Generators.—Alternating-current generators are classed as single-phase, two-phase or quarter-phase, and three-phase. The first and last mentioned are the most common. The single-phase generator has a continuous winding on the armature in which there is developed a single current which fluctuates as described in Art. 12. The single-phase generator supplies current to either a two-wire or a three-wire circuit.

A two-phase generator has two sets of coils on the armature. These coils are located so that when the current in one set is a maximum, that in the other set is zero, and vice versa. They are the equivalent of two single-phase generators whose currents differ in phase by one-quarter of a period. Two-phase generators supply current to four-wire circuits. Sometimes two-phase currents are distributed by three-wire circuits.

A three-phase generator has three sets of coils on the armature. The coils may be connected so as to form a closed circuit (delta connection), or the three sets may have one end of each set connected to a common point (Y connection). The currents in these sets of coils differ in phase by one-third of a period. Three-phase generators are commonly used for generating currents for power purposes and supply current to three-, four- or six-wire circuits.

Alternating-current generators are rated in kilovolt-amperes, kv-a. The output in watts is equal to the kilovolt-amperes multiplied by the power factor of the load circuit. The power factor is determined by the characteristic of the load and may have any value from 0 to 1. The power factor of direct-current circuits is 1. The alternating current taken by any receiving circuit or energy-consuming device can not be calculated from the pressure and current alone, but the power factor must also be known. If we represent the current output of an alternator by I, the e.m.f. between line wires by E, and the power factor by K, then the power output of the three types of generators is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Single-phase power} &= KEI \\ \text{Two-phase power} &= 2KEI \\ \text{Three-phase power} &= 1.732KEI. \end{aligned}$$

Illustrative Problem.—A single-phase generator supplies 150 amperes to a circuit at 550 volts. What power is supplied to the circuit if its power factor is 0.75?

Power = KEI watts. $K = 0.75$, $E = 550$, and $I = 150$.

$\therefore$ Power = (0.75)(150)(550) = 61,875 watts = 61.875 kw.

Illustrative Problem.—The line voltage of a three-phase generator is 2300 volts; the line current is 50 amperes How much power is it supplying if the power factor of the load is 0.80?

Power = $1.732KEI$. $K = 0.80$, $E = 2300$, and $I = 50$ amperes.

$\therefore$ Power = (1.732)(0.80)(2300)(50) = 159,344 watts = 159.344 kw.

16. Alternating-current Motors.—There are several types of a-c. motors in common use, the distinction between them being due to their construction and manner of operation. The more common types are:

(*a*) *Single-phase Series Commutator Motors.*—These are practically the same as d.-c. series motors in general features of construction and are supplied by two-wire circuits.

(*b*) *Synchronous Motors.*—These are practically the same as a.-c. generators, but instead of developing alternating current, they are driven by it. They are essentially constant speed machines.

(*c*) *Induction Motors.*—These are the most common type of a.-c. motors. The essential features of this type of motor are a stationary winding and a short-circuited rotary winding. When an alternating current is passed through the stationary winding a revolving magnetic field is produced. This revolving magnetic field develops a current in the rotating element and a drag results, causing the rotary element to turn. Induction motors are made for single-phase and polyphase currents.

The current intake of an induction motor varies considerably with the load. The smaller, up to 25 hp., induction motors are commonly started by connecting them directly across the line. The starting current is thus from one to 3.5 times the full-load current depending upon the size of the motor. Provision must be made for this when wiring for such motors.

Table on p. 1304 gives the currents for induction motors of different sizes.

Switches should have a rated capacity at least as large as the rated capacity of the fuse protecting the circuit,

or, if the circuit is protected by a circuit breaker, the switch should have such capacity that the breaker will be set to be opened by a current not greater than 30% in excess of the current rating of the switch.

17. Household Appliances.—Owing to their convenience, the use of household appliances is rapidly extending. The following table gives the powers consumed, the current intake, the size of connecting wires and other useful data for many domestic and commercial appliances:

Appliances	Watts consumed	Amperes at 110 volts	Size of wire (rubber covered)	Fuse (amperes)
Broilers, 3 lt	300 to 1200	3 to 11	14	6 to 15
Chafing dishes, 3 lt	200 to 500	1.8 to 4.6	14	6
Cigar lighters	75	0.7	14	3
Coffee percolators for 6 in. stove	100 to 440	1 to 4	14	3 to 6
Corn poppers	300	2.7	14	6
Curling iron heaters	60	0.6	14	3
Double boilers for 6 in. 3 lt. stove	100 to 440	1 to 4	14	3 to 6
Flatiron—3 lb	275	2.5	14	6
Flatiron—4 lb	350	3.2	14	6
Flatiron—5 lb	400	3.6	14	6
Flatiron—6 lb	475	4.3	14	6
Flatiron—7.5 lb	540	4.9	14	10
Flatiron—9 lb	610	5.6	14	10
Frying kettles, 8 in. diam	825	7.5	14	10
Griddle cake cookers, 9 × 12 in., 3 lt	330 to 880	3 to 8	14	10
Griddle cake cookers, 12 × 18 in., 3 lt	500 to 1500	4.6 to 13.7	14	6 to 15
Heating pads	50	0.5	14	3
Instantaneous flow water heaters	2000	18.2	12	25
Nursery milk warmers	450	4.1	14	6
Ovens	1200 to 1500	11 to 13.7	14	15
Plate warmers	300	2.7	14	6
Radiators	700 to 6000	6.4 to 56	14 to 4	10 to 75
Ranges: Three heats, 4 to 6 people	1000 to 4515	9.1 to 41	14 to 6	10 to 50
Ranges: Three heats, 6 to 12 people	1100 to 5250	10 to 47.5	14 to 6	10 to 50
Ranges: Three heats, 12 to 20 people	2000 to 7200	18.2 to 65.5	12 to 4	20 to 70
Shaving mugs	150	1.4	14	3
Stoves (plain) 4.5 in., 3 ht	50 to 220	0.46 to 2	14	3
Stoves (plain) 6 in., 3 ht	100 to 440	1 to 4	14	6
Stoves (plain) 7 in., 3 ht	120 to 600	1.1 to 5.5	14	6
Stoves (plain) 8 in., 3 ht	165 to 825	1.5 to 7.5	14	3 to 10
Stoves (plain) 10 in., 3 ht	275 to 1100	2.5 to 10	14	3 to 10
Stoves (plain) 12 in. 3 ht	325 to 1300	2.95 to 12	14	6 to 15
Stove, traveler's	200	1.82	14	3
Toasters, 9 × 12 in., 3 ht	330 to 880	3 to 8	14	6 to 10
Toasters, 12 × 18 in., 3 ht	500 to 1500	4.6 to 14	14	6 to 15
Urns, 1-gal., 3 ht	110 to 440	1 to 4	14	6
Urns, 2-gal., 3 ht	220 to 660	2 to 6	14	6
Urns, 3-gal., 3 ht	330 to 1320	3 to 12	14	6 to 15
Urns, 5-gal., 3 ht	400 to 1700	3.7 to 15.5	14 to 12	6 to 20
Waffle irons, 2 waffles	770	7	14	10
Waffle irons, 3 waffles	1150	11	14	15

18. Interior Wiring.—Electrical energy for lighting and power is conveyed into, and distributed throughout, buildings by means of insulated wires.

In general, wiring systems may be classified in accordance with the kind of current they carry; that is, direct or alternating. For low-voltage interior circuits there is little difference in the two systems. Another classification is based on the number of wires used in a circuit. According to this classification we have two-wire and three-wire systems. The two-wire system may be either a series or parallel system. It consists essentially of two wires by which the current passes to and from the lamps or other energy-consuming devices. Fig. 4 is a diagram of a two-wire parallel wiring system. Two-wire circuits may be supplied by direct cur-

rent or by alternating current. The alternating current may be supplied by a single-phase generator when the circuits are as shown in Fig. 4, or the source may be a two-phase or three-phase generator. When polyphase generators are used for supplying energy to two-wire circuits,

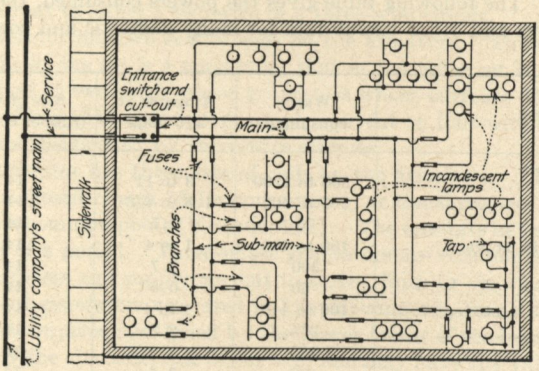


FIG. 4.

the connections are made as shown in Fig. 5. For satisfactory operation the load in each phase should be approximately the same.

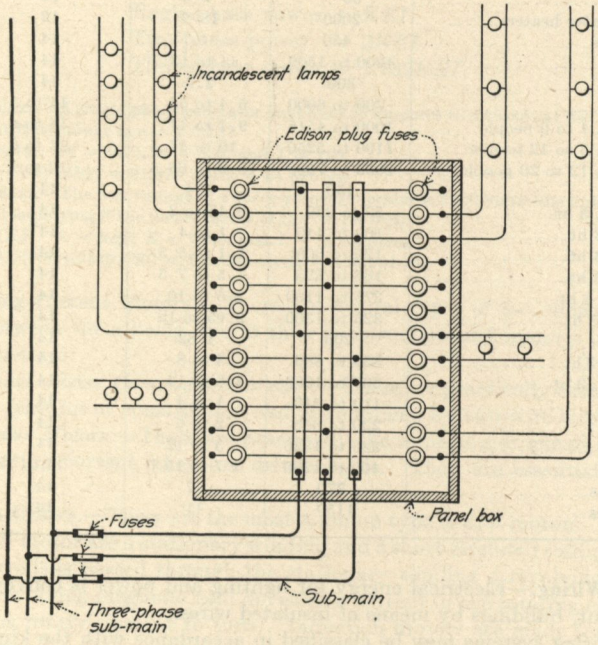


FIG. 5.

19. Three-wire Systems.—As already explained, three-wire systems are designed to permit the use of higher voltages with low-voltage lamps. The source of energy for a three-wire system may be either a three-wire, d.-c. generator or a two-wire d.-c. generator with a proper balancer set. Fig. 3 shows the connections for a three-wire circuit supplied by two two-wire

generators giving double the voltage of the lamps. When the loads between the outside wires and the middle or mutual wire are equal, the system is said to be balanced. When this condi-

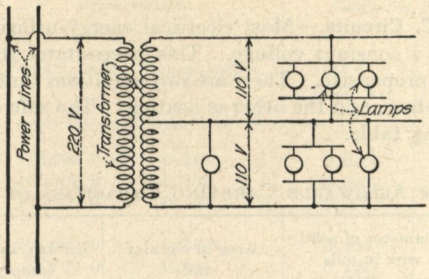


FIG. 6.

tion is fulfilled, the middle wire carries no current; when this condition is not fulfilled the neutral wire carries the excess of current in one outside wire above that in the other outside wire.

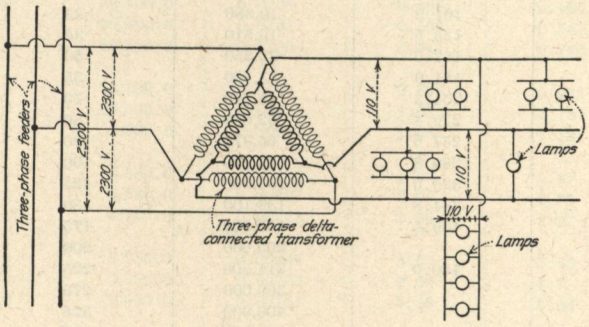


FIG. 7.

Three-wire circuits are also supplied by single-phase and polyphase alternating-current generators through transformers. A single-phase three-wire circuit is shown in Fig. 6.

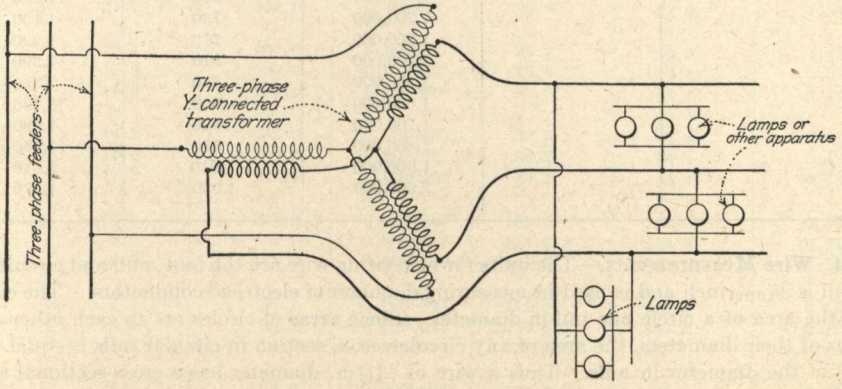


FIG. 8.

The secondary winding of transformers consists of two coils which may be connected in series or parallel, hence they are well adapted for supplying three-wire circuits. The three-phase three-wire circuit differs somewhat

from the three-wire circuit described above, in that it essentially consists of three two-wire circuits that are interconnected. The energy is supplied and distributed by three wires but the circuits are so connected that any wire may be considered as the return wire for either of the other two. Such a system is shown in Figs. 7 and 8.

20. Calculation of D-C. Circuits.—Most electrical energy-utilizing devices are built so as to operate satisfactorily at a constant voltage. This necessitates that the wires along which the energy is supplied be of proper size. There are two conditions that determine the proper size of wire; one is the voltage drop, and the other is heating. The safe current carrying capacity of wires is given in following table.

TABLE OF ALLOWABLE CARRYING CAPACITIES OF WIRES

B. & S. gage number	Diameter of solid wire in mils (1 mil = 0.001 in.)	Area in circular mils	Rubber insulation (amperes)	Other insulation (amperes)
18	40.3	1,624	3	5
16	50.8	2,583	6	10
14	64.1	4,107	15	20
12	80.8	6,530	20	25
10	101.9	10,380	25	30
8	128.5	16,510	35	50
6	162.0	26,250	50	70
5	181.9	33,100	55	80
4	204.3	41,740	70	90
3	229.4	52,630	80	100
2	257.6	66,370	90	125
1	289.3	83,690	100	150
0	325.0	105,500	125	200
00	364.8	133,100	150	225
000	409.6	167,800	175	275
		200,000	200	300
0000	460.0	211,600	225	325
		300,000	275	400
		400,000	325	500
		500,000	400	600
		600,000	450	680
		700,000	500	760
		800,000	550	840
		900,000	600	920
		1,000,000	650	1,000
		1,100,000	690	1,080
		1,200,000	730	1,150
		1,300,000	770	1,220
		1,400,000	810	1,290
		1,500,000	850	1,360
		1,600,000	890	1,430
		1,700,000	930	1,490
		1,800,000	970	1,550
		1,900,000	1,010	1,610
		2,000,000	1,050	1,670

21. Wire Measurements.—The units for measuring wire are the foot, mil, and circular mil. The mil is $\frac{1}{1000}$ inch and is used in measuring diameter of electrical conductors. The circular mil is the area of a circle one mil in diameter Since areas of circles are to each other as the squares of their diameters, the area of any circular cross section in circular mils is equal to the square of the diameter in mils. Thus a wire of $\frac{1}{10}$-in. diameter has a cross-sectional area of $100 \times 100 = 10{,}000$ cir. mils. To facilitate the determination of the proper size of wire, tables have been prepared giving the gage numbers, diameter, cross-sectional area, resistance per 1000 ft. at different temperatures and other data depending upon the completeness of the tables. A practical table is the following:

WORKING TABLE—STANDARD ANNEALED COPPER WIRE
English Units, American Wire Gage (B. & S.)

Gage No.	Diameter in mils	Cross section		Ohms per 1000 feet		Pounds per 1000 feet
		Circular mils	Square inches	25° C. (= 77° F.)	65° C. (= 149° F.)	
0000	460.0	212,000.0	0.166	0.0500	0.0577	641.0
000	410.0	168,000.0	0.132	0.0630	0.0728	508.0
00	365.0	133,000.0	0.105	0.0795	0.0918	403.0
0	325.0	106,000.0	0.0829	0.100	0.116	319.0
1	289.0	83,700.0	0.0657	0.126	0.146	253.0
2	258.0	66,400.0	0.0521	0.159	0.184	201.0
3	229.0	52,600.0	0.0413	0.201	0.232	159.0
4	204.0	41,700.0	0.0328	0.253	0.293	126.0
5	182.0	33,100.0	0.0260	0.320	0.369	100.0
6	162.0	26,300.0	0.0206	0.403	0.465	79.5
7	144.0	20,800.0	0.0164	0.508	0.587	63.0
8	128.0	16,500.0	0.0130	0.641	0.740	50.0
9	114.0	13,100.0	0.0103	0.808	0.933	39.6
10	102.0	10,400.0	0.00815	1.02	1.18	31.4
11	91.0	8,230.0	0.00647	1.28	1.48	24.9
12	81.0	6,530.0	0.00513	1.62	1.87	19.8
13	72.0	5,180.0	0.00407	2.04	2.36	15.7
14	64.0	4,110.0	0.00323	2.58	2.97	12.4
15	57.0	3,260.0	0.00256	3.25	3.75	9.86
16	51.0	2,580.0	0.00203	4.09	4.73	7.82
17	45.0	2,050.0	0.00161	5.16	5.96	6.20
18	40.0	1,620.0	0.00128	6.51	7.52	4.92
19	36.0	1,290.0	0.00101	8.21	9.48	3.90
20	32.0	1,020.0	0.000802	10.4	12.0	3.09
21	28.5	810.0	0.000636	13.1	15.1	2.45
22	25.3	642.0	0.000505	16.5	19.0	1.94
23	22.6	509.0	0.000400	20.8	24.0	1.54
24	20.1	404.0	0.000317	26.2	30.2	1.22
25	17.9	320.0	0.000252	33.0	38.1	0.970
26	15.9	254.0	0.000200	41.6	48.1	0.769
27	14.2	202.0	0.000158	52.5	60.6	0.610
28	12.6	160.0	0.000126	66.2	76.4	0.484
29	11.3	127.0	0.0000995	83.5	96.4	0.384
30	10.0	101.0	0.0000789	105.0	122.0	0.304
31	8.9	79.7	0.0000626	133.0	153.0	0.241
32	8.0	63.2	0.0000496	167.0	193.0	0.191
33	7.1	50.1	0.0000394	211.0	244.0	0.152
34	6.3	39.8	0.0000312	266.0	307.0	0.120
35	5.6	31.5	0.0000248	336.0	387.0	0.0954
36	5.0	25.0	0.0000196	423.0	489.0	0.0757
37	4.5	19.8	0.0000156	533.0	616.0	0.0600
38	4.0	15.7	0.0000123	673.0	777.0	0.0476
39	3.5	12.5	0.0000098	848.0	980.0	0.0377
40	3.1	9.9	0.0000078	1070.0	1240.0	0.0299

22. Calculation of Voltage Drop.—The resistance of any conductor is given by

$$R = \frac{rl}{A}$$

in which r is the resistance of a wire of unit length and unit cross section (these units are usually one foot and one circular mil), l is the length of the conductor in feet, and A its cross section in circular mils. For copper conductors at a temperature of 25 deg. C. or 77 deg. F., r is 10.5 ohms. By Ohm's law, $R = \frac{E_r}{I}$, in which E_r is the voltage drop when a current of I amperes is flowing. Substituting $\frac{E_r}{I}$ for R we have $\frac{E_r}{I} = \frac{10.5l}{A}$, and $E_r = \frac{10.5Il}{A}$. That is, the voltage drop is equal to 10.5 times the product of the current in amperes and length of wire in feet divided by the cross-sectional area of the conductor in circular mils.

The total length of wire in a circuit is usually twice the distance between the point where the energy is generated and where it is utilized. The circuit voltage drop is then

$$E_r = \frac{10.5I \times 2l}{A},$$

where l is the distance one way.

In case the permissible voltage drop and current are known, then the size of wire that may be used is obtained by solving the above equation for A, thus

$$A = \frac{10.5 \times 2l}{E_r}$$

Again it may be desirable to know the permissible current for a given line drop. Solving for I we have

$$I = \frac{AE_r}{21l}$$

In a similar manner the length of wire for a given line drop and size of wire is given by

$$2l = \frac{AE_r}{10.51}$$

The length of circuit is plainly

$$l = \frac{AE_r}{21I}$$

The total current in a circuit may be found by adding the watts consumed at each outlet and dividing this sum by the prescribed voltage at each outlet. Thus

$$I = \frac{\text{Watts}}{\text{volts}}$$

The line drop E_r is always some proportionate part of the line voltage E, and the ratio $\frac{E_r}{E}$ may be expressed as a percentage of the line voltage. Thus line voltage

$$p = \frac{E_r}{E} \times 100, \text{ whence } E_r = \frac{pE}{100}$$

Sometimes it is desirable to determine the proper size of wire in terms of the power transmitted. This can readily be done as follows: In d.-c. circuits the power is given by

$$W = I \times E$$

But

$$A = \frac{10.5 \times 12l}{E_r}$$

Hence

$$A = \frac{10.5 \times I \times E\,2l}{E_r \times E} = \frac{10.5 \times W\,2}{E_r E}$$

If the power W is expressed in kilowatts, it will have to be multiplied by 1000 to reduce it

to watts before substituting in above equation. For convenience of reference the foregoing formulas are collected together as follows:

$$R = \frac{E_r}{I} \tag{1}$$

$$E_r = \frac{10.5\, I \times 2l}{A} \tag{2}$$

$$A = \frac{10.5 I \times 2l}{E_r} \tag{3}$$

$$I = \frac{A E_r}{10.5 \times 2l} \tag{4}$$

$$2l = \frac{A E_r}{10.5 I} \tag{5}$$

$$l = \frac{A E_r}{21 I} \tag{6}$$

$$E_r = \frac{pE}{100} \tag{7}$$

$$A = \frac{10.5 W \times 2l}{E_r E} \tag{8}$$

The letters in the above formulas have the following significance:

A = size of wire in circular mils.
E = voltage of circuit.
E_r = line drop in volts (voltage drop) due to resistance.
I = current flowing in wire in amperes.
l = length of circuit or line (one wire) in feet.
$2l$ = total length of wire in feet.
p = voltage drop in per cent of line voltage.
R = resistance of wire in ohms.
W = total watts delivered.

Illustrative Problem.—Given a current of 125 amperes and a line drop of 8 volts, determine the resistance of the line.

$$R = \frac{E_r}{I} = \frac{8}{125} = 0.064 \text{ ohm}$$

Illustrative Problem.—A circuit 400 ft. long is composed of No. 8 wire; what will be the drop when 50 amperes are flowing through the circuit?

The cross-sectional area of No. 8 A. W. G. wire is 16,500 mils. Then by Formula (2)

$$E_r = \frac{10.5\, I \times 2l}{A}$$
$$= \frac{(10.5)\ (50)\ (2)\ (400)}{16{,}500}$$
$$= 25.5 \text{ volts, nearly.}$$

Illustrative Problem.—What should be the cross-sectional area of the wire in the preceding problem if the voltage drop is 13.1 volts?

$$A = \frac{10.5 I \times 2l}{E_r}$$
$$= \frac{(10.5)\ (50)\ (2)\ (400)}{13.1}$$
$$= 32{,}100 \text{ cir. mils, nearly.}$$

Illustrative Problem.—What current may be delivered over a line one mile long consisting of No. 00 A. W. G. wire in order that the drop shall not exceed 15 volts? The cross section of No. 00 wire is 133,000 cir. mils.

$$I = \frac{A E_r}{10.5 \times 2l}$$
$$= \frac{(133{,}000)\ (15)}{(10.5)\ (2)\ (5280)}$$
$$= 18 \text{ amperes, nearly.}$$

Illustrative Problem.—What is the maximum length of circuit that can be made with a No. 000 A. W. G. copper wire allowing a drop of 25 volts with a current of 75 amperes? The cross section of No. 000 wire is 168,000 cir. mils.

$$= \frac{A E_r}{21 I}$$
$$= \frac{(168{,}000)\ (25)}{(21)\ (75)}$$
$$= 2666 \text{ ft.}$$

Illustrative Problem.—Given a line voltage of 600 volts, what is the smallest wire that may be used for a circuit of 1000 ft. in length, to carry 60 amperes at a 10% line loss?

$$E_r = \frac{pE}{100}$$

$$= \frac{(10)\ (600)}{100}$$

$$= 60 \text{ volts}$$

$$A = \frac{10.5\ I \times 2l}{E_r}$$

$$= \frac{(10.5)\ (60)\ (2)\ (1000)}{60} = 21{,}000 \text{ cir. mils.}$$

The smallest wire that would be used is No. 6 A. W. G. which has a cross section of 26,300 cir. mils.

Illustrative Problem.—A two-wire feeder must carry 40 kw. a distance of 400 ft. with a loss of 5%, the voltage between conductors being 110 volts. Find the size of conductor.

$$E_r = \frac{pE}{100}$$

$$= \frac{(5)\ (110)}{100} = 5.5 \text{ volts}$$

$$A = \frac{10.5\ W \times 2l}{E_r E}$$

$$= \frac{(10.5)\ (40{,}000)\ (2)\ (400)}{(5.5)\ (110)} = 555{,}000 \text{ cir. mils.}$$

23. Center of Distribution.—When service wires of uniform size are to be used for conveying energy to a group of scattered lamps, the size of wire for a prescribed voltage drop and number of lamps may be determined by computing the distance L to the center of distribution of the group of lamps from the feeders, by the formula

$$L = \frac{al_1 + bl_2 + cl_3 + etc.}{a + b + c + etc.}$$

a,b,c, etc., are the numbers of lamps in each group and l_1,l_2, $_3$, etc., are the distances of the groups from the service point.

Illustrative Problem.—What is the distance of the center of distribution from the service point for the groups of lamps 125, 140 and 175 ft. from the service outlet, the first group consisting of 50 lamps, the second of 45 lamps and the third of 30 lamps?

$$L = \frac{al_1 + bl_2 + cl_3}{a + b + c}$$

$a = 50,\ b = 45,\ c = 30.\quad l_1 = 125,\ l_2 = 140,\ l_3 = 175.$

Hence

$$L = \frac{(50)\ (125) + (45)\ (140) + (30)\ (175)}{50 + 45 + 30}$$

$$= 142.4 \text{ ft.}$$

Illustrative Problem.—What must be the size of service wires if the voltage drop is not to exceed 4 volts when all the lamps are turned on, each lamp taking 0.5 ampere?

$$A = \frac{10.5I2l}{E_r} \qquad I = (0.5)\ (125) = 62.5 \text{ amperes} \qquad l = 142.4 \text{ ft.} \qquad E_r = 4 \text{ volts}$$

Then

$$A = \frac{(10.5)\,(62.5)\,(2)\,(142.4)}{4} = 46{,}725 \text{ cir. mils.}$$

24. Parts of a Circuit.—In Fig. 9 are shown the different parts of a distribution or supply circuit. The connection between the point of supply and the energy-consuming device is made by means of feeders, mains and branches. The feeder is the part of the circuit that extends from the switchboard to the first distributing center. The mains are the supply lines extending from the first distributing center to panel boxes or secondary distributing centers, and branches or branch lines are the parts of the circuit connecting the individual lamps or motors to the distributing centers.

25. Wiring Methods.—The wiring methods commonly used may be considered under two heads, concealed and open. The methods employed in concealed wiring are (1) rigid conduit, (2) flexible conduit, (3) armored cable, (4) knob and tube.

25*a*. Rigid Conduit.—For interior wiring, electrical conduit is mild steel pipe. This is connected by means of suitable couplings and is installed so as to make a continuous

wire-way from outlet to outlet. Wires are drawn into these after the building is completed. The conduit may be run exposed, or concealed in the walls, between floors, or in channels during construction. The conduit system may be used in any kind of building, but it is used chiefly in buildings of fireproof construction. In fact, no other should be allowed in such buildings. Rules governing the installation of rigid conduit and for grounding the same are found in the National Electrical Code. It may be proper

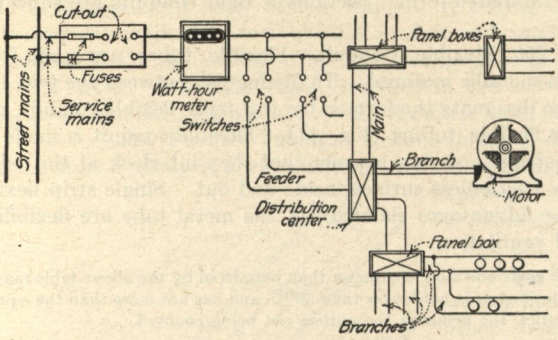


Fig. 9.

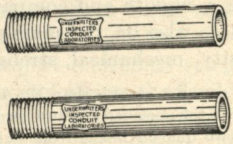


Fig. 10.

Size of Conduits for the Installation of Wires and Cables
Number of Conductors

	One conductor in a conduit. Size conduit, in.	Two conductors in a conduit. Size conduit, in.	Three conductors in a conduit. Size conduit, in.	Four conductors in a conduit. Size conduit, in.
Size, B. & S.	Electrical trade size	Electrical trade size	Electrical trade size	Electrical trade size
14	½	½	½	¾
12	½	¾	¾	¾
10	½	¾	¾	1
8	½	1	1	1
6	½	1	1¼	1¼
5	¾	1¼	1¼	1¼
4	¾	1¼	1¼	1½
3	¾	1¼	1¼	1½
2	¾	1¼	1½	1½
1	¾	1½	1½	2
0	1	1½	2	2
00	1	2	2	2½
000	1	2	2	2½
0000	1¼	2	2½	2½
CM.				
200,000	1¼	2	2½	2½
250,000	1¼	2½	2½	3
300,000	1¼	2½	2½	3
400,000	1¼	3	3	3½
500,000	1½	3	3	3½
600,000	1½	3	3½	
700,000	2	3½	3½	
800,000	2	3½	4	
900,000	2	3½	4	
1,000,000	2	4	4	
1,250,000	2½	4½	4½	
1,500,000	2½	4½	5	
1,750,000	3	5	5	
2,000,000	3	5	6	

to mention, however, that the two wires of the same circuit should always be drawn into the came conduit. This is especially important when the energy or current supplied is alternating.



Experience has shown what size conduit is best suited for the installation of certain size conductors. The following table contains this data in tabulated form. Sections of rigid conduits are shown in Fig. 10.

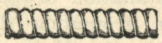


Fig. 11.

25b. Flexible Conduit.—Flexible tubes are made from metal or non-metallic material. To distinguish between the two, it is customary to designate the former by the term flexible conduit, and the latter by flexible tubing (Fig. 11). Flexible conduit is made by winding together spirally two metal strips in such a manner that they interlock at the edges forming a smooth and comparatively frictionless surface inside and out. Single strip flexible conduit is also on the market. The advantages claimed for this metal tube are flexibility. continuity, mechanical, strength and ventilation.

For sizes not greater than No. 10 B. & S. gage, one more conductor than permitted by the above table may be nstalled in the specified conduit, provided the conduit is not longer than 30 ft., and has not more than the equivalent of two quarter bends from outlet to outlet, the bends at the outlets not being counted.

CONDUCTOR CONVERTIBLE SYSTEM

Size of conductors			Size conduit, in.
B. & S. gage			Electrical trade size
two	14 and one	10	¾
two	12 and one	8	¾
two	10 and one	6	1
two	8 and one	4	1
two	6 and one	2	1¼
two	5 and one	1	1¼
two	4 and one	0	1½
two	3 and one	00	1½
two	2 and one	000	1½
two	1 and one	0,000	2
two	0 and one	250,000	2
two	00 and one	350,000	2½
two	000 and one	400,000	2½
two	0,000 and one	550,000	3
two	250,000 and one	600,000	3
two	300,000 and one	800,000	3
two	400,000 and one	1,000,000	3½
two	500,000 and one	1,250,000	4
two	600,000 and one	1,500,000	4
two	700,000 and one	1,750,000	4½
two	800,000 and one	2,000,000	4½

NOTE.—Where special permission has been given the following table may apply.

SINGLE CONDUCTOR COMBINATION

No. of wires	Size conduit, in. Electrical trade size
10 No. 14 R. C. solid	1
18 No. 14 R. C. solid	1¼
24 No. 14 R. C. solid	1½
40 No. 14 R. C. solid	2
74 No. 14 R. C. solid	2½
90 No. 14 R. C. solid	3

The flexibility of the conduit permits its use in many places where the use of rigid conduit is impractical On this account it is used mostly in buildings where it is desired to run electric circuits after the completion of the building.

Where the first cost of an installation must be kept at a minimum, and yet where a safe and more permanent wiring than the knob and tube system is required, the flexible conduit may be advantageously used.

The same rules govern the installation of flexible conduit that apply in the case of rigid conduit.

25c. Armored Cable.—The casing of an armored cable is very similar to the flexible conduit just explained. Steel armored cable is distinguished from flexible conduit by having the conduit made over the conductors so that both conduit and conductors may be installed at the same time. Fig. 12 shows the general appearance of such a cable. In certain cases, specified in the code, the cable must have a lead covering placed between the outer braid of the conductors and the steel armor.

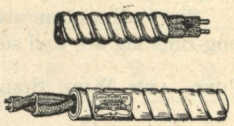


FIG. 12.

25d. Flexible Tubing.—Flexible tubing is distinguished from flexible conduit in that the tube is made of fibrous material. Flexible tubing is used mainly in conjunction with knob and tube work in places where the knobs or tubes do not furnish sufficient protection and where the rules require additional safeguards. As a separate method of wiring, the flexible tube is very little used, and its use in place of the other methods mentioned should be discouraged.

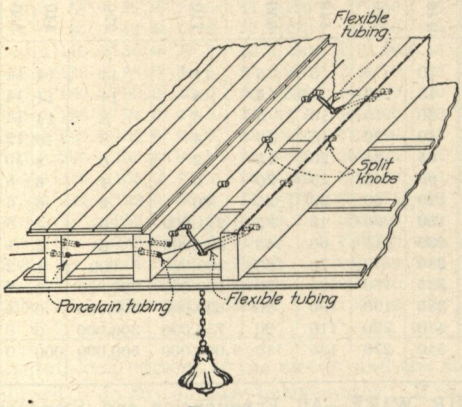


FIG. 13.

25e. Knob and Tube Wiring.—The most common method of wiring for frame buildings during the process of construction is the knob and tube method. As the name indicates, the wires are run on knobs, and where they pass through timbers, additional insulation is provided by porcelain tubes. In this method of wiring the conductors are run concealed between floors and partitions; when the conductors run parallel to the joists and in vertical runs, knobs attached to the timbers by screws, or nails and leather heads are used; and where the conductors pass through partitions or timbers, tubes are first inserted. Fig.13 shows the general appearance of a knob and tube installation.

Solid knobs were formerly used exclusively but have been almost entirely displaced by split knobs such as are shown in Fig. 14, in which is also shown a porcelain tube and cleat.

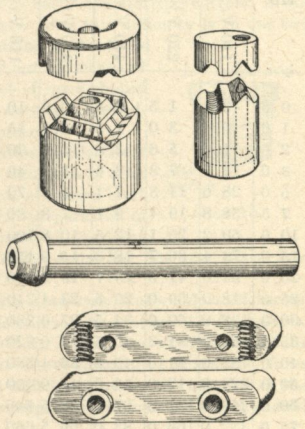


FIG. 14.

26. Protection of Circuits.—The energy is supplied to the building by two- or three-wire service mains. At the point of entrance, or as near as possible at the point of entrance, and inside of the walls, automatic cut-outs must be installed and arranged, to cut off the entire current from the building. These cut-outs may be fuses or automatic circuit breakers. The kind of cut-out to install in any case will depend upon the load supplied. The rated capacity of fuses must not exceed the allowable current carrying capacity specified in table on p. 1296. Circuit breakers must not be set for more than 30% above the allowable carrying capacity of the wire unless a fusible cut-out is also installed in the circuit.

27. Fuses.—A fuse is a relatively short piece of wire or conductor, of relatively low melting point, whose current carrying capacity is less than that of the circuit in which it is placed. By combining tin, bismuth, and lead in proper proportions, it is possible to make alloys which will melt at low temperatures. Wires on strips made from these alloys are soldered between copper terminals and used for fuses. The greater the current carrying capacity of the fuse, the longer is the time required for its operation at a given overload.

In selecting the proper size of fuses to protect any apparatus, the time element, as explained above, should be considered in connection with the smallest current likely to prove dangerous.

Since all motors are required to carry momentary overloads, fuses with a comparatively long-time lag are well suited for their protection. The capacity of the fuse is usually equal to

FUSE AND WIRE SIZES FOR INDUCTION MOTORS OF SQUIRREL-CAGE TYPE OR SIMILAR TYPES TAKING LARGE STARTING CURRENTS

INDUCTION MOTORS—SINGLE PHASE—All Frequencies and Standard Speeds

Hp.	Full load amps.				Starting fuse amps.				Running fuse amps.				Size of wire or cable. Rubber or other insulation			
	110 V.	220 V.	440 V.	550 V.	110 V.	220 V.	440 V.	550 V.	110 V.	220 V.	440 V.	550 V.	110 V.	220 V.	440 V.	550 V.
0.5	6.8	3.4	1.7	1.3	20	10	5	5	10	5	5	5	14	14	14	14
1.0	13.3	6.6	3.3	2.4	35	20	10	5	15	10	5	5	8	14	14	14
2.0	24.8	12.4	6.2	4.9	65	35	20	15	30	15	10	5	6	8	14	14
3.0	36.0	18.0	9.0	7.2	75	45	30	25	40	20	15	10	4	8	10	12
5.0	58.4	29.2	14.6	13.8	120	70	40	30	65	35	20	15	2	6	8	10
7.5	85.2	42.6	21.3	17.1	170	85	55	45	95	45	25	20	0	4	6	8
10.0	110.0	55.0	27.5	22.4	220	110	70	60	120	60	30	25	00	2	6	6
15.0	162.0	81.0	40.5	33.0	325	165	80	70	180	90	45	35	211,600	0	4	6
20.0	208.0	104.0	52.0	42.6	400	200	110	85	230	115	60	45	300,000	0	2	4
25.0	258.0	129.0	64.5	51.6	500	260	135	100	280	140	70	60	400,000	000	1	2
30.0	304.0	152.0	76.0	61.0	600	300	150	125	335	170	85	70	500,000	200,000	0	2
35.0	356.0	178.0	89.0	70.0	710	360	180	140	380	190	100	80	650,000	300,000	0	1
40.0	400.0	200.0	100.0	80.0	800	400	200	160	440	220	110	90	750,000	300,000	0	0
50.0	492.0	246.0	123.0	99.6	980	590	250	200	540	270	135	110	1,000,000	500,000	000	0

INDUCTION MOTORS—TWO PHASE—FOUR WIRE—All Frequencies and Standard Speeds

Hp.	Full load amps.*				Starting fuse amps.				Running fuse amps.				Size of wire or cable. Rubber or other insulation			
	110 V.	220 V.	440 V.	550 V.	110 V.	220 V.	440 V.	550 V.	110 V.	220 V.	440 V.	550 V.	110 V.	220 V.	440 V.	550 V.
0.5	3.1	1.5	0.8	0.6	10	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	14	14	14	14
1.0	6.0	3.0	1.5	1.1	15	10	5	5	10	5	5	5	14	14	14	14
2.0	11.0	5.6	2.8	2.2	30	15	10	5	15	10	5	5	10	14	14	14
3.0	14.7	7.3	3.6	3.2	40	25	15	10	20	10	5	5	8	10	14	14
5.0	28.6	14.3	7.1	5.3	70	35	20	15	30	20	10	10	6	8	12	14
7.5	38.8	19.4	9.7	7.8	80	50	30	20	45	25	15	10	4	8	10	12
10.0	50.2	25.1	12.5	10.8	100	65	35	30	55	30	15	15	2	6	8	10
15.0	73.4	36.7	18.3	15.0	150	75	45	40	80	40	20	20	1	4	8	8
20.0	95.0	47.5	23.7	19.5	190	95	60	50	110	50	30	25	0	2	6	8
25.0	118.0	59.0	29.5	23.4	240	120	70	60	130	65	35	30	000	2	6	6
30.0	138.0	69.0	34.5	27.6	280	140	75	65	150	75	40	30	200,000	1	4	6
35.0	162.0	81.3	40.5	32.0	320	160	80	70	190	90	45	35	211,600	0	4	6
40.0	182.0	91.0	45.5	36.4	360	180	90	75	200	100	50	40	300,000	0	4	4
50.0	224.0	112.0	56.0	45.0	450	225	110	90	245	125	60	50	350,000	00	2	4
60.0	268.0	134.0	67.0	53.5	540	270	135	110	290	150	75	60	450,000	000	1	2
75.0	332.0	166.0	83.0	66.5	660	330	170	130	365	180	90	75	600,000	211,600	0	1
100.0	.....	218.0	109.0	87.5	....	440	220	175	....	240	120	95	.....	350,000	00	0
150.0	.....	320.0	160.0	128.0	....	640	320	260	....	350	175	140	.....	550,000	211,600	000
200.0	.....	418.0	209.0	169.0	....	830	420	340	....	450	230	185	.....	800,000	350,000	300,000
250.0	.....	515.0	257.0	207.0	....	1030	500	400	....	560	280	230	.....	1,100,000	400,000	300,000
300.0	.....	615.0	307.0	246.0	....	1230	600	500	....	675	340	270	.....	1,400,000	500,000	400,000

* Value of current in common wire for a two-phase three-wire system would be 1.41 times value given.

INDUCTION MOTORS—THREE PHASE—All Frequencies and Standard Speeds

H.p.	Full load amps.				Starting fuse amps.				Running fuse amps.				Size of wire or cable. Rubber or other insulation			
	110 V.	220 V.	440 V.	550 V.	110 V.	220 V.	440 V.	550 V.	110 V.	220 V.	440 V.	550 V.	110 V.	220 V.	440 V.	550 V.
0.5	3.6	1.8	0.9	0.7	10	5	5	5	10	5	5	5	14	14	14	14
1.0	7.0	3.5	1.75	1.3	20	10	5	5	10	5	5	5	14	14	14	14
2.0	13.0	6.5	3.25	2.6	30	20	15	10	15	10	5	5	10	12	14	14
3.0	19.0	9.5	4.75	3.8	50	30	20	10	25	15	10	5	8	10	14	14
5.0	30.8	15.4	7.7	6.2	70	40	25	15	35	20	10	10	6	8	12	14
7.5	44.8	22.4	11.2	9.0	90	60	30	25	50	25	15	15	4	6	10	12
10.0	58.0	29.0	14.5	11.8	120	70	40	30	65	35	20	15	2	6	8	10
15.0	85.0	42.5	21.2	17.4	170	85	50	40	95	45	25	20	0	4	8	8
20.0	110.0	55.0	27.5	22.5	220	110	60	55	120	60	30	25	00	2	6	6
25.0	136.0	68.0	34.0	27.0	270	140	70	65	150	75	40	30	000	1	6	6
30.0	160.0	80.0	40.0	32.0	320	160	80	70	175	90	45	35	211,600	0	4	6
35.0	188.0	94.0	47.0	37.0	375	190	100	75	210	110	50	40	300,000	0	2	4
40.0	210.0	105.0	52.5	42.0	420	210	110	85	230	115	60	45	350,000	00	2	4
50.0	260.0	130.0	65.0	52.0	520	260	125	110	285	145	70	60	450,000	000	1	2
60.0	310.0	155.0	77.5	62.0	620	310	160	125	340	170	85	70	550,000	211,600	0	2
75.0	384.0	192.0	86.0	77.0	770	390	175	160	420	210	95	85	750,000	300,000	0	0
100.0	.....	252.0	126.0	101.0	....	500	250	200	....	280	140	110	.....	400,000	000	0
150.0	.....	368.0	184.0	148.0	....	730	370	300	....	410	200	160	.....	700,000	300,000	200,000
200.0	.....	484.0	242.0	195.0	....	920	480	390	....	530	265	215	.....	900,000	400,000	300,000
250.0	.....	595.0	287.0	240.0	....	1200	570	480	....	650	315	265	.....	1,300,000	500,000	400,000
300.0	.....	710.0	355.0	285.0	....	1420	710	570	....	780	390	315	.....	1,600,000	650,000	500,000

the full-load current of the motor, and the momentary overload of 50% will not open the fuse nor will it do any damage to the motor. If the overload continues, the fuse will open the circuit before any damage can be done to the motor.

For protecting alternating-current motors, fuses are not so well adapted. The reason for this is that the alternating-current motors take excessive current on starting. When the motor has reached full speed, the current is very much reduced. Thus, fuses whose current-carrying capacity is equal to the full-load current, will open the circuit upon starting and, if the capacity of the fuse is sufficiently large to carry the starting current, it will not protect the motor in case of a long-continued overload. One way of overcoming this difficulty is to use two sets of fuses in parallel; one set of fuses having a capacity equal to the starting current and the other equal to the running current. Each set of fuses should be cut in or out by means of a separate switch. On starting, the switch in series with the "running" set of fuses should be open, and closed after the motor has come up to speed, when the other switch is opened. When such an arrangement is used, a much better protection is given to the motor.

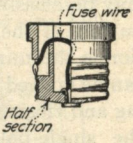


FIG. 15.

The tables given above prepared by a committee of the Western Association of Electrical Inspectors give the horsepower rating, full-load current, size of starting fuses, and sizes of wire for a.-c. motors of the induction type of all frequencies, standard speeds and standard voltages. Rules of the National Electrical Code were taken into account in the preparation of these tables. The assumption is made that the motors are to be started under full load and that starting devices are used on motors larger than 5 hp. The question of voltage drop has not been taken into consideration.

A standard guarantee of 25% overload for 2 hr. has been adopted by the American Motor Manufacturers' Association and this excess current should be taken care of in the design of leads and auxiliary apparatus for motors. Some motors used for intermittent service require an overload capacity of 200% for a short period of time and the motors should be fused accordingly. For ordinary motors coming under the above-mentioned guarantee, fuses rated at 25% above the normal full-load current of the motor should be used which will insure the opening of the circuit at approximately 50% overload. Fuses rated at 60% more than the normal 30-min. current rating should be used on motors of intermittent rating, such as variable speed motors.

27a. Enclosed Fuses.—The first enclosed fuse was that designed by Edison some 30 years ago. In its present form the Edison plug fuse, as it is called, consists of a hollow porcelain plug on the lower outside part of which is a threaded brass ring. One end of the fuse wire is fastened to this ring and the other end passes through the bottom of the plug and is soldered to a small brass cap. To prevent the escape of the hot metal when the fuse blows, the plug is

closed by a piece of mica held in place by a brass ring. The rating of the fuse is marked both on the small cap at tip of plug and on the ring which holds the mica in place. The appearance of this type of enclosed fuse is shown in Fig. 15. Although this plug was brought out some 30 years ago, it is undoubtedly used to a greater extent today than any other form of enclosed fuse, especially on house lighting circuits.

27b. Cartridge Fuses.—When the 220-volt system came into use, it was soon discovered that the operation of the Edison plug fuse was very unsatisfactory and the enclosed cartridge fuse was designed. The cartridge fuse consists of a piece of zinc-aluminum fuse wire enclosed in an insulating tube, usually of vulcanized fiber, paper or similar material. The fuse wire is surrounded by an inert, nonconducting material resembling chalk. The ends of the fuse are attached to copper caps which fit over the ends of the fiber tube. Fig. 16 shows the arrangement of the various parts. When a fuse of this type is blown, the formation of an arc is prevented by the filling within the tube. In most cases, this prevention is purely mechanical, but in some makes of cartridge fuses, there is a chemical action between the filling material and melted fuse; in other cases a small air chamber surrounds the fuse wire, as shown in Fig. 16. Experience and tests have shown that the cartridge type of fuse is far more accurate and fuses melt more nearly at the proper point than any other type of fuse. Some other advantages are its ease in manipulation, range of voltage, and freedom from the influence of air currents.

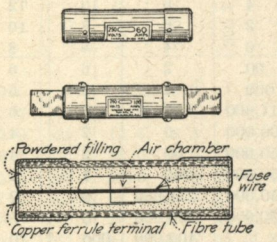


Fig. 16.

Standard dimensions and test requirements have been prepared for 250- and 600-volt fuses. These requirements are given in the National Electric Code. The dimensions of fuses have been carefully worked out and are as small as it is safe to make them. Standard fuses are now made by all the principal fuse manufacturers and are interchangeable in all National Electric Code standard fuse blocks of corresponding capacity. The use of fuses of special dimensions and particularly those smaller than the standard should be discouraged.

The National Code divides enclosed fuses into classes according to the voltage and ampere capacity and specifies the dimensions for each class so that a given fuse can be used only in a fuse block of its class. The fuses are rated so that they will carry 10% overload indefinitely and will open at 25% overload.

The ferrule contact is used on fuses up to 60 amperes capacity and knife-blade contacts are those of larger capacity. Fig. 17 shows fuse blocks of different forms.

28. Switches.—Switches may be classified in various ways. If the voltage is taken as the basis of classification, we have the low-voltage and high-voltage switches. With reference to their construction and operation they may be classified as knife, snap, push button; if the basis of our classification is the number of line wires that can be opened and closed by the opening and closing of the switch, we have the single-pole, double-pole, triple-pole, etc., switches. Again switches may be single throw (S. T.) and double throw (D. T.) depending upon the number of ways in which they can be closed. The distinction between knife, snap, and push button switches needs no extended discussion. Single-pole, double-pole, and triple-pole switches are distinguished from each other by the number of line wires that can be opened or closed at once. Thus a single-pole switch can be used in only one wire of a circuit; a two-pole, in two wires; a three-pole, in three wires. Single-pole, double-pole, and three-pole switches are represented in Figs. 18, 19, and 20 respectively. A double-pole double-throw switch is shown in Fig. 21. A double-pole double-throw switch differs from a single-throw switch in that two circuits may be successively connected by it to the same supply circuit, or if cross connected, the direction of the current may be reversed. Snap and push button switches are made both single and double pole, but never double throw. Knife switches must be installed in such a manner that gravity will not tend to close the switch, and both switch and receiving circuit must be protected by fuses or some other form of "cut-out." The switch should be so connected that when it is

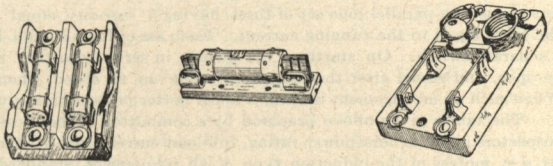


Fig. 17.

open the blades are dead. A good method of connecting a service switch to the line is shown in Fig. 22. The figure shows Edison plug fuses in the mains. It is also clear that when the switch is opened, the blades are disconnected from the mains and can safely be handled. It is advisable to connect a knife switch in this manner whenever possible. Some knife switches are provided with an extra set of jaws to which the line circuit is connected. On such a switch the hinge joints are never connected to the circuit.

Mention was made above of the possibility of controlling lights from two points by means of three-way switches. The manner in which this is done will perhaps be understood best by reference to Fig. 23. This is a standard diagram

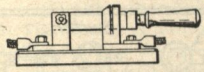


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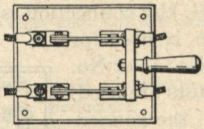


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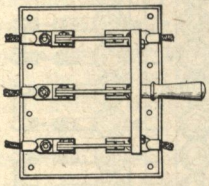


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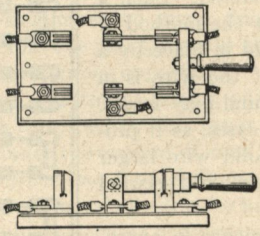


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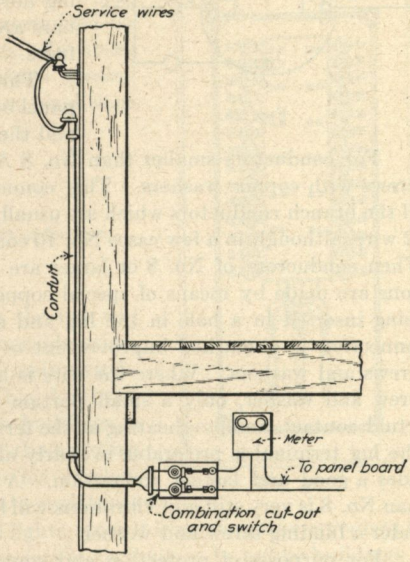


FIG. 22.

for three-way switch connection. Assuming the switches to be turned as indicated by full lines—that is, 2 being connected to 4 and 2′ to 4′—no current can flow through the lamps. If either switch be turned so that either 1 and 3 or 1′ and 3′ are connected, the lamps will light, and then turning either switch again will disconnect them. Three-way switches are considered as single-pole switches and must be wired so that only one pole of the circuit is carried to either switch.

If it is desired to control the lights from more than two points, a four-way switch must be used at each additional point. A diagram of connections is shown in Fig. 24. If the switches are turned as indicated in diagram, the lamps will be dark. Turning either switch will cause them to light up. Three-way and four-way switches are much used in house wiring, especially for controlling the lighting of stairways and upper and lower halls.

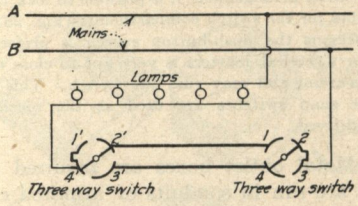


FIG. 23.

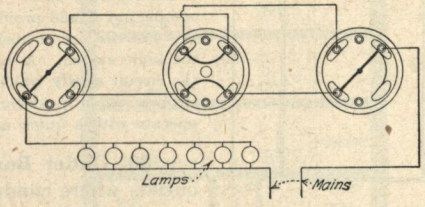


FIG. 24.

28*a*. Electrolier Switch.—This is a form of snap switch which is designed for closing one or more circuits. A diagram of the internal connections of a three-circuit electrolier switch is given in Fig. 25. The first quarter turn of the handle, lights the lamps connected at 1; the second quarter turn, those at 1 and 2; and the third quarter turn, all the lamps. The fourth quarter turn opens the circuit. It is not possible to illustrate the operation with a simple diagram.

29. Cut-out Panels and Cabinets.—According to the Electrical Code not more than 660 watts, or under special conditions, not more than 1320 watts for lighting circuits may be supplied

through one cut-out. This necessitates many branch circuits for all installations except the smallest. It is usually most convenient to group the cut-outs together and mount them on panel boards (Fig. 26). They are made in many forms and for two-wire and three-wire circuits. The bus-bars are usually run vertically with the cross-connecting bars extending horizontally to the branch circuits. These horizontal bars are interrupted for fuses, or for both switches and fuses.

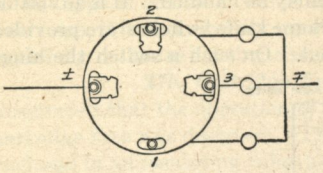


FIG. 25.

Three forms of fuses are used at the present time for the panel board type of cut-out; i.e., the plug fuse, the link fuse, and the enclosed or cartridge fuse.

For conductors smaller than No. 8 A.W.G. the connection is made by means of binding screws with copper washers. This connection is used for all the branch conductors which are usually of No. 14 or No. 12 wire, although in a few cases No. 10 conductors are used. When conductors of No. 8 or larger are used, the connections are made by means of special copper lugs, the wires being inserted in a hole in the lug and soldered. Such a connection is a marked improvement over the method of screws and washers. Where the wire is held in place by a screw and washer, only a small portion of the wire is in actual contact, and overheating at the terminal may result. The lug terminal is preferable in nearly all cases, as it provides a good and lasting connection. A solid wire larger than No. 8 is very stiff and vibrations will loosen it if secured under a binding screw and washer.

For purposes of protection and convenience in operation, panel boards are mounted in cabinets (Fig. 27).

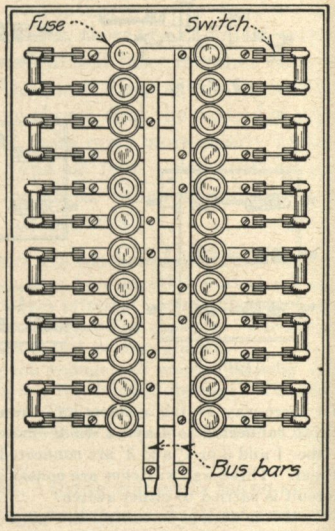


FIG. 26.

In department stores or buildings where lights are thrown on and off by means of switches at the panel board, and where persons unskilled in the uses of electricity operate the switches, panel boards should be designed so as to prevent access to the interior of the cabinet. This is readily accomplished by using push-button switches in the branch circuits. The push-button switches can be made flush with the door of the cabinet, which may be locked, or the switch compartment may be provided with a separate door. By the latter arrangement it is possible to lock the fuse compartment and provide latches for the switch compartments (Fig. 28).

For the use of unskilled persons the push-button switch is preferable to the knife switch. A novice in electrical matters is very apt to close or open the circuit slowly which causes arcing and may ruin the switch. This cannot happen when push-button or snap switches are used as the mechanisms operate with a quick make-and-break.

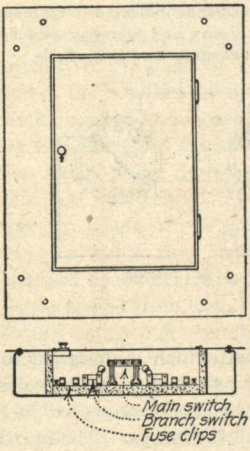


FIG. 27.

30. Outlet Boxes.—Metal outlet boxes are required at all outlets where conductors are run in conduits or armored cables, and for flush switches and receptacles in connection with any kind of covering.

Outlet boxes are not required by the present rules for circuit work run in wooden molding for cleat work, or for knob and tube wiring, except as noted above.

All the principal forms of outlet boxes may be roughly classified in two groups, universal and special. Under the first head are included those forms of boxes in which an opening may be made in any part of the box, so that, no matter from what direction the tube comes, a corresponding opening in the box may be more or less readily made without drilling. The other type of box is one which is designed for a specific purpose. Fig. 29 is a universal outlet box.

31. Distributing Systems.—In any system of wiring the supply circuit terminates at either a cut-out cabinet or a switchboard. From the cabinet or switchboard several sets of feeders and mains are usually run to various points from which the current is supplied to lamps, motors, or to other receiving apparatus.

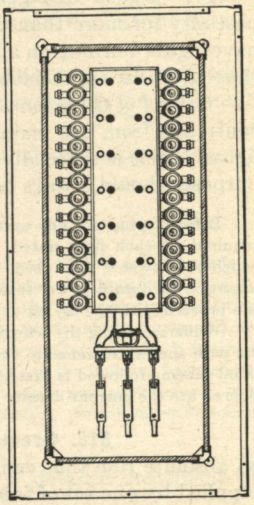


FIG. 28.

31*a*. Selection of a Feeder System. In every case the arrangement of the feeders will, of course, be determined by the use and arrangement of the receiving apparatus. In house wiring for lighting purposes there are, however, some general conditions which influence the feeder systems. These conditions may be classed under the following heads:

1. Control of groups of lights from main switchboard.
   (*a*) Hall lights.
   (*b*) Other than hall lights.
2. The number of outlets that should be supplied by one set of feeders.
3. The limit for the size of feeder conductors.
4. Allowable loss in feders and mains.

In the designing and laying out of feeder systems the use and arrangement of the building must be given due consideration. The control of hall lights from one point, usually the main switchboard, is a matter of considerable importance. This, however, applies primarily to hotels, apartment houses, or to buildings in which the light for halls is furnished by the owner of the building, and therefore, should be under the control of men in his employ.

Control of Hall Lights from One Point.—In private residences it is seldom advisable to have separate feeders for hall lights, since it is much more convenient to operate the lights by switches placed at convenient points in the halls. In public buildings it is almost always advisable to install separate feeders for hall lights. The main point in the problem is not the necessity for separate feeders, but the number necessary for efficient operation. For instance, in lighting long h lls it is often necessary to have different numbers of lamps turned on at different times in the day, and also on different days. This, of course, combines the problem of efficient lighting with wiring as is true in almost every case. In the solution of such a problem it is necessary to first determine the number and distribution of lamps and the approximate time when these lamps are to be operated. Having determined the number of groups of lamps that are to be operated, the number of pairs of feeders and their current-carrying capacities can then be readily determined. Thus, if it is found that the lights can or should

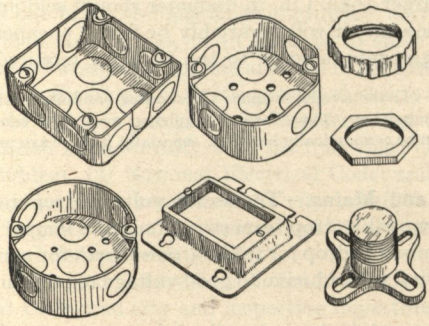


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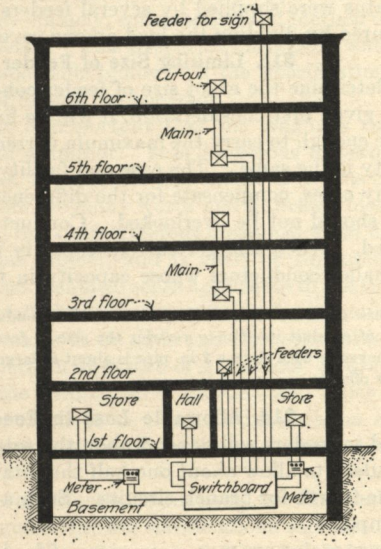


FIG. 30.

be operated in three groups, three pairs of feeders will be necessary. Each group of lamps can be turned on and off at the proper time without interfering with the others. It is very probable that the cost of the additional feeders will be more than compensated for by saving in energy. A good arrangement of feeder systems for hall lighting is shown in Fig. 30. The necessity for more than one set of feeders arises from the fact that it may not be advisable to have lights burning on all floors at the same time. The subdivision of feeders into sets may thus effect an appreciable saving in energy.

Control of Other than Hall Lights.—When groups of lights, other than hall lights, are to be controlled from the main switchboard, separate feeders should be provided for each group of lights. This is especially true in case there is some decorative lighting. Lights for decorative purposes should always be controlled from some convenient point.

Before laying out any system of feeders an elevation of the building should first be drawn, and the service required on each floor noted. This does not mean simply the amount of power, but the use and time during which the power is to be used. Having determined this together with the power supply—that is, whether it is the intention to obtain power from the central station or whether a separate plant is to be installed—the contractor can proceed with the laying out of feeders and mains.

While arranging the scheme for feeders and mains, consideration must be given the construction of the building with special reference to runways and shafts which will greatly facilitate the installation of the feeders. The usual scheme followed is first to locate the outlets and then the distributing centers. The main points to be considered are the current density and source of supply.

31*b*. Greatest Number of Outlets One Set of Feeders May Supply.—There is no absolute rule that can apply in every case concerning the number of outlets that may be supplied by one set of feeders. There are, however, some general considerations which should be kept in mind. Economy and convenience of operation will perhaps be greater if each set of feeders supplied few units. The reasons are: (1) when many units are being fed by one set of feeders a sudden overload may cause an opening of the circuit and a disturbance over a considerable area—that is, any accident that would cause the opening of the circuit connecting that set of feeders with the bus-bars would cause greater inconvenience than if the receiving apparatus were supplied by several feeders; (2) more economical operation will undoubtedly be secured by dividing the load among several sets of feeders.

31*c*. Limiting Size of Feeder Conductors.—Local conditions will, to a great extent, determine the exact size of feeder conductors in any particular case. If the question of cost is given first consideration, it will be found cheaper to install a conductor whose capacity is large enough to carry the maximum current rather than several smaller ones whose combined capacity is the same. The ease and facility with which the small conductors may be run, will, in many cases, compensate for the difference in cost; and furthermore, the possibility of subdivision should not be overlooked. Conductors larger than 1 in. in diameter should seldom be installed. When a larger current capacity is nesessary, it will invariably be found cheaper to run smaller conductors whose capacity in the aggregate is equal to the capacity required.

There are other reasons for using smaller conductors: (1) the available space for running conduits, and (2) the size of conduit itself may restrict the size of feeder conductors. Thus, feeders requiring over 2-in. conduit should never be used since a 2-in. pipe is about as large as can be economically handled, especially if there are many bends or offsets.

31*d*. Allowable Loss in Feeders and Mains.—The exact voltage drop to be allowed in feeders will depend upon the total permissible drop from switchboard to lamps. A good rule is to allow about one-half the total permissible drop for feeders, one-fourth for mains, and one-fourth for branch circuits. Such a division is conducive to good voltage regulation at the lamps.

Since mains are mere extensions of feeders most of the foregoing discussion applies to them as well.

32. The Process of Determining the Size and Quantity of Wire Required for a Given Installation.—The general principles so far discussed may be applied in any particular case as follows: First, prepare a vertical cross section of the building showing the number of stories and their height. Upon this, and upon the floor plans, mark the position of the outlets, and from

these the branch circuits, distributing centers, and rising shafts. Upon the elevations and floor plans, mark at each distributing center the number of watts which are to be supplied by the branch circuits, stating from the center. Having done this, a tentative layout of the mains may be made. It is clearly evident that the purpose of the foregoing process is to determine the current to be carried by each set of mains and feeders. From this data and the allowable drop, the size of conductors may then be calculated.

From the elevation and floor plans, next determine the approximate length of the feeders and mains. This approximate length will be accurate enough for computing the drop and, consequently, the size of conductor.

According to principles already given, the cross-sectional area in circular mils is then

$$A = \frac{10.5P \times 2l}{E_r E}$$

The data for calculating the size of mains is obtained in the same way and the calculations are also made as above. For determining the cost of the conductors the approximate length as given above will not be sufficiently accurate. The actual length as nearly as possible should be determined by the aid of the floor plans and elevation by indicating very nearly the actual direction the wires are to run and making allowance for slack, bends, and offsets. About 5% of the length is usually allowed for slack, and no definite percentage can be given for bends and offsets. This must be determined from the plans themselves, or in case the framework of the building has already been erected, by actual measurements on the building. Before deciding definitely upon a particular scheme, it is well to make the necessary calculations for at least two or more different arrangements. It will often be found that some one plan will be more economical or more easily followed.

33. Specifications.—A specification may be briefly defined as a detailed statement of materials to be used and the manner of executing the work.

Most of the materials for inside electrical construction are at present standardized and must have the approval of the Electrical Committee of the National Fire Protection Association. Consequently, in preparing specifications it is usually unnecessary to go into extended detail when describing the material to be used. For this part of the specifications it will usually be found sufficient to name the types of construction and specify that only approved material may be used. The second part of the specifications—namely, construction and method of control, etc.,—should be worked out with considerable detail. This is especially necessary where the contract for the wiring is to be let to the lowest responsible bidder. If the specifications are not adequate, there can be no comparative basis for letting the contract.

In the preparation of a set of specifications it is important that the language used be grammatical and construed according to the rules of grammar. It is dangerous to permit inaccuracy or confusion in the arrangement of clauses, because the true intent may thus be distorted and not admit of ready interpretation. There are many words and phrases which may have one or several meanings in ordinary narration, but quite different meanings when used in technical description, or in relation to some special subject, and it must be supposed that technical words and phrases are used in the specific and technical sense applicable to the subject.

Specifications for electric wiring that is to be installed under a separate contract should contain in the first paragraph a statement that the work is to be done and the material is to be furnished in conformity with the following: (1) American Institute of Architects' Instructions to Bidders; (2) National Electrical Code; and (3) the Ordinances of the City and Rules of the Inspection Department of the city in which the work is to be done. Consideration should also be given to the requirements of the electricity supply company to secure the best operating and maintenance conditions.

In general, it may be said that in addition to the architect's instructions, the National Electrical Code, and city and inspection department regulations, the specifications should cover in detail: (1) the general considerations applicable to any installation, and (2) a detailed description of the installation in question.

SECTION I. GENERAL CONDITIONS

The general considerations may be subdivided further as follows:

Scope of Contract.—Under this heading should be stated the work to be covered by the specifications.

Explanations.—Under explanations should be enumerated the meaning and force of the specifications, and who shall be the final authority in interpreting the specifications.

Changes.—Under this heading should be enumerated conditions under which changes will be permitted, who shall specify what changes are to be made, and how pay shall be estimated for changes ordered. The following example illustrates this:

"No changes will be permitted in these specifications, or in the plans accompanying the same, except in minor details or for good legitimate cause, or except when made necessary by reason of altered conditions or changes in the building.

"No such changes shall be made without the authority of the representative of the owner.

"The owner shall have the privilege of ordering any changes that may be deemed desirable or necessary, for the hereinabove specified reasons or for other legitimate reasons, at any time before the completion of the work.

"All such changes, involving no additional cost to the Contractor and no loss or expense to the owner, are to be made free of expense to the owner.

"For all changes ordered by the owner, or his representative, the settlement shall be made when possible by reference to the "stated prices" which are required to be quoted in the Contractor's proposal, as specified hereinafter.

"For any addition to, or omission from, the circuit work, or for any other change required in the installation, involving additional cost to the Contractor, and for which no adequate basis of settlement has been provided in the "stated prices" aforesaid, the Contractor must first give written notice of such additional cost, and must submit an estimate; and a special order shall be issued for the said addition, omission, or change, before the work of making said change is begun.

"Bills of all extra work must be rendered promptly on the completion of said extra work, accompanied with all items, and details necessary for the proper audit of said bills.

"The owner shall receive credit for the value of all materials or work discarded and not installed.

"No allowance shall be made for extra work unless these conditions are fully complied with."

Supervision.—This clause is to specify the individual or official under whose immediate supervision the work is to be executed, and to whom is reserved or given the right to accept or reject any portion of the equipment, and what shall be the criterion for such acceptance or rejection.

Repairs, Defects, Etc.—A paragraph with the above heading is necessary to cover the character of the labor employed by the contractor; the time during which contractor agrees to keep equipment in repair, which may be necessary on account of defective material or workmanship.

Other Trades.—Since in the construction of nearly all buildings, members of several different trades may be employed, it becomes necessary to include a clause explaining the relation between the wiring contractor, owner, and other workmen on the building. It is also necessary to explain under whose direction and supervision work other than the wiring is to be done when the wiring necessitates such work.

Subcontracting.—In order that the owner or his representative may at all times know whom to hold responsible for the performance of any part of the work it is customary to specify conditions under which the whole or parts of the contract may be sublet.

Accidents.—In order to avoid controversy over the responsibility for accidents, it is necessary to state clearly that the contractor and his subcontractors are to bear any loss which may result from their own neglect. This is especially important in states which have industrial laws.

Inspection.—This part of the specifications is usually covered by a clause something like the following:

All materials and work are to conform in all respects to the requirements and regulations of the National Board of Fire Underwriters and any local boards having jurisdiction, including the latest amendments and modifications to their rules. The contract is not to be considered complete until all necessary certificates of inspection have been furnished.

SECTION II. DETAILED SPECIFICATIONS

Plans.—Number of plans and what each covers.

Service Wires.—Location of service wires, and character of wiring.

Lamps and Fixtures.—If the lamps and fixtures are to be a part of the contract, their character and types should be described in detail. It is perhaps better to have a separate set of specifications for this part of the installation.

Feeders and Mains.—Give sizes of wires; state between what points they are to be run, and whether separate circuits are to be run for motors, heating devices, or other accessories.

Branch Circuits.—Describe size of wires to be used for the different circuits.

Conduits.—Kinds of conduits; sizes for feeders and mains; sizes for branch circuits; method of installing; care to be used in fitting.

Outlet Boxes.—Kinds of outlet boxes that will be permitted.

Fixture Supports.—Where to be located and designs to be used.

Cut-out Cabinets.—Where to be located; by whom furnished; kind.

Cut-outs.—Kinds; mounting; style of switches for branch circuits.

Fuses and Fuse Holders.—Kinds; where to be located.

Switches.—Types, locations, capacity, etc.

Baseboard and Wall Receptacles.—Kinds and locations.

General.—Describe any special features that do not properly come under any of the above headings.

Test.—Describe test which is to be applied to make installation acceptable.

SECTION III. WIRING FOR TELEPHONES

This is usually done by the telephone companies, but in order to have the telephone wiring run to proper and convenient outlets, the following may be safely included:

Conduit Run for Telephones.—Location of telephones; systems to be used.

Terminal Boxes.—Where located.

SECTION IV. WIRING FOR ELEVATORS

In buildings where elevators are to be used, specifications for this should be included. The most important items will be:

Kind of Service.

Feeders.

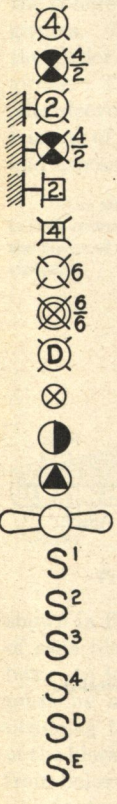
Location of Meter.

Outlets, etc.

The notes following the general headings are merely indicative of what should be described in detail. Where necessary the description should be supplemented by drawings showing any special features or arrangements.

34. Standard Symbols for Wiring Plans.—The National Electrical Contractors' Association and the American Institute of Architects have agreed upon symbols which are to be used in wiring plans and specifications.

This specification is based upon the use of the following standard symbols adopted by the National Electrical Contractors' Association and the American Institute of Architects.



Ceiling Outlet; Electric only. Numeral in center indicates number of Standard 16 C. P. Incandescent Lamps.

Ceiling Outlet; Combination. $\frac{4}{2}$ indicates 4–16 C. P. Standard Incandescent Lamps and 2 Gas Burners. If gas only

Bracket Outlet; Electric only. Numeral in center indicates number of Standard 16 C. P. Incandescent Lamps.

Bracket Outlet; Combination. $\frac{4}{2}$ indicates 4-16 C. P. Standard Incandescent Lamps and 2 Gas Burners. If gas only

Wall or Baseboard Receptacle Outlet. Numeral in center indicates number of Standard 16 C. P. Incandescent Lamps.

Floor Outlet. Numeral in center indicates number of Standard 16 C. P. Incandescent Lamps.

Outlet for Outdoor Standard or Pedestal; Electric only. Numeral indicates number of Standard 16 C. P. Incandescent Lamps.

Outlet for Outdoor Standard or Pedestal; Combination. $\frac{6}{6}$ indicates 6-16 C. P. Standard Incandescent Lamps; 6 Gas Burners.

Drop Cord Outlet.

One Light Outlet, for Lamp Receptacle.

Arc Lamp Outlet.

Special Outlet, for Lighting, Heating and Power Current, as described in Specifications.

Ceiling Fan Outlet.

S^1 S. P. Switch Outlet.

S^2 D. P. Switch Outlet.

S^3 3-Way Switch Outlet.

S^4 4-Way Switch Outle

S^D Automatic Door Switch Outlet.

S^E Electrolier Switch Outlet.

Show as many Symbols as there are Switches. Or in case of a very large group of Switches, indicate number of Switches by a Roman numeral, thus S^1 XII; meaning 12 Single Pole Switches.

Describe Type of Switch in Specifications, that is, Flush or Surface, Push Button or Snap.


Meter Outlet.


Distribution Panel.


Junction or Pull Box.



Motor Outlet; Numeral in center indicates Horse Power.


Motor Control Outlet.


Transformer.

Main or Feeder run concealed under floor.

Main or Feeder run concealed under Floor above.

Main or Feeder run exposed.

Branch Circuit run concealed under Floor.

Branch Circuit run concealed under Floor above.

Branch Circuit run exposed.

Pole Line.


Riser.


Telephone Outlet; Private Service.


Telephone Outlet; Public Service.


Bell Outlet.


Buzzer Outlet.



Push Button Outlet; Numeral indicates number of Pushes.



Annunciator; Numeral indicates number of Points.


Speaking Tube.



Watchman Clock Outlet.


Watchman Station Outlet.



Master Time Clock Outlet.


Secondary Time Clock Outlet.


Door Opener.


Special Outlet; for Signal Systems, as described in Specifications.


Battery Outlet.

Circuit for Clock, Telephone, Bell or other Service, run under Floor, concealed.
Kind of Service wanted ascertained by Symbol to which line connects.

Circuit for Clock, Telephone, Bell or other Service, run under Floor above, concealed.
Kind of Service wanted ascertained by Symbol to which line connects.

Heights of Center of Wall Outlets (unless otherwise specified):	
Living Rooms	5 ft. 6 in.
Chambers	5 ft. 0 in.
Offices	6 ft. 0 in.
Corridors	6 ft. 3 in.
Height of Switches (unless otherwise specified):	4 ft. 0 in.

35. Wiring of Concrete Buildings.—The rigid conduit system of wiring is the only one to be recommended for fireproof buildings. For such structures, either one of two methods of installing the conduits may be followed; that is, the conduits may be run either exposed or concealed. The method to be followed in any given case will be determined by local conditions although it may be said that the concealed system is to be preferred if the conditions will permit its installation.

35*a*. Exposed Conduit System.—In many concrete buildings it is not always practical to locate definitely the outlets during the process of construction. This is especially true of buildings intended for manufacturing purposes. Moreover, the installation of conduits in such a building after its completion is a laborious and expensive process unless some provision for such installation is made while the building is under construction.

The best plan to follow will be to a great extent determined by local conditions. Nevertheless, two quite common methods are the following; Fig. 31 shows a section of a reinforced concrete floor. Openings for the conduit are made by placing short pieces of pipe of proper diameter in the girder form. These pieces of pipe must be large enough to permit the easy insertion of the conduit, and they must also be of such length that when the forms into which the concrete is poured, are removed, the ends of the sleeves will be flush with the sides of the girders. In most cases, 1¼ in. pipe will be large enough. The sleeves pass horizontally through the girder near the ceiling line in every bay, or as near as possible to the neutral axis of the girder. They may be placed in all four sides of the bay so that several circuits can be run in. The sleeves must be in alignment, and they must be firmly fastened to the forms so that the pouring of the concrete and other operations, will not displace them. Then by using condulets and exposed iron panel boxes, a neat job of exposed conduit wiring is assured.

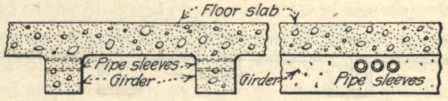


Fig. 31.

If the girders are steel I-beams, another plan must be followed. A convenient method of fastening the conduit in such instances is shown in Fig. 32. A board is first fastened under the girder by means of clips extending around the flange of the I-beam and screwed to the board. The conduit is then attached to the under side of the board by straps.

35*b*. Concealed Conduit Construction.—The exact plan to be followed in this type of construction will depend somewhat upon the form or style of concrete construction, but in general either one of two methods may be employed. In one system the conduits are installed after the concrete is all poured, set, and the forms removed. In the other system, the conduits and outlet boxes are fastened in place and the concrete is poured over them. If the conduits are to be installed after the removal of the forms, some provisions must be made for outlets through the concrete slabs before the concrete is poured, as structural engineers as a rule will not permit the cutting away of the reinforcing steel. One method of securing an opening through the concrete slab is to fit wooden blocks as is shown in Fig. 33. These blocks are specially made, and tapered as shown. The smaller end of each block is placed at the bottom, and its diameter is approximately that of an outlet box. In length, the blocks are equal to the thickness of the concrete slab. These blocks must be set and securely fastened before the concrete is poured. One good method of fastening them in place is by means of bolts as indicated. A hole is bored the whole length of the block and through the form. A bolt of proper length is inserted and a nut is screwed on from below.

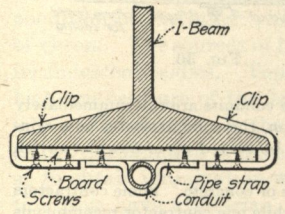


Fig. 32.

Instead of blocks, tin tubes or sleeves, like those generally placed around steam pipes where they pass through the ceilings, may be used. These tubes should not be smaller than 3 in. in diameter, and about 6 in. long. Such tubes are fastened by flaring them out at the bottom and nailing them to the forms where outlets are required. To protect the tubes from being filled with concrete, they are filled with sand as soon as put in place.

When the concrete has set, and the forms have been removed, the conduit is installed as shown in Fig. 34. The conduit is bent and inserted into the outlet box which is placed flush with the opening. This necessitates sharp bends, and the length of conduit extending into the opening must be short to prevent the box from being exposed.

Undoubtedly the best practice, however, is to fasten the outlet box to the forms before the concrete is poured. The wood forms are set with the reinforcing steel in place, and upon this the conduit is placed as shown in Fig. 35. Several methods may be employed for fastening the boxes in place. One method is to first fasten the conduit and fixture hanger to the box; then drive a nail at the exact center of the outlet and place the center of hanger over the nail at the outlet location. The box may then be fastened to the forms by wire nails which are driven part way into the boards and then bent over the box, or the nails may be driven through

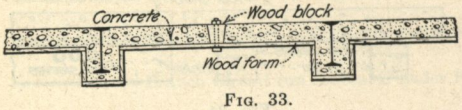


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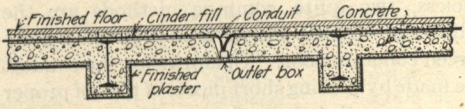


FIG. 34.

the screw holes in the bottom of the box. These nails must be cut out before the wire is drawn in.

To avoid sharp ends of nails in the boxes after forms are removed, either of the following plans is to be preferred: Drive on a slant four nails about half way into the forms on the opposite sides of the box. Then take a No. 14 soft-iron wire and make a turn or two around the head of each nail, crossing over the box from nail to nail. When this has been done, drive the nails down until the box is held firmly in place.

Another convenient method is shown in Fig. 36. A scrap piece of ½-in. conduit is tapped with a ⅜-in. tap and then screwed on to the fixture stud in the bottom of the box. A hole of the proper size is bored through the form and a piece of pipe is pushed into it. By means of a lock nut, the box is drawn up tight against the form and firmly held in place. When the concrete is set, the stem is unscrewed from the fixture stud, permitting the easy removal of the forms. The outlet boxes must be deep enough to permit the insertion of the conduit from the

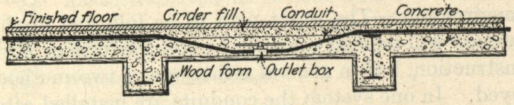


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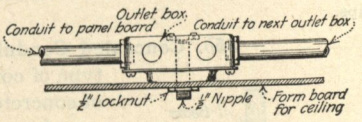


FIG. 36.

sides. These boxes are installed before the reinforcing steel is put in place, and the conduits are run immediately after the placing of the wire netting upon which they rest. In such a construction, the conduit serves as a reinforcement and can be completed back to the center of distribution. It may also be turned up or down at switch outlets as the case demands.

The ends of the conduits must be securely closed against the entrance of water or concrete. Some contractors use wooden plugs or tape covered with a waterproof compound for this purpose, while one contractor recommends the use of the circular pieces that are knocked out of the outlet boxes. These he fastens in place by slipping a knockout disk of proper size into a bushing and then screwing the bushing on to the exposed end of the pipe. Such a joint can readily be made water tight, and the construction is cheap. Switch outlets are usually placed on either the walls or the partitions. This fact necessitates bringing the conduit through the forms in the line of the walls or of the partition. Great care must be exercised to locate these outlets accurately, for after the cement has set, it is too late to change them. For vertical runs between floors it is a good plan to provide channels.

SECTION 7

ELECTRIC LIGHTING AND ILLUMINATION

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1. General.—When lamps are placed in a room, the purpose is not to have a source of light to look at, but to make objects in the room visible and in some instance to enhance their beauty.

Objects are seen by reflected light; that is, light from some source after falling on the object is reflected by it to the eye where it excites the sensation of vision. By means of this sensation we can get a perception of the shape, size, color, and other physical characteristics of the object.

There are two types or kinds of reflection—specular and diffuse. If the object upon which the light falls is polished, it is invisible, for nearly all of the incident light is reflected at the same angle and an image of the source is seen. Polished surfaces such as mirrors, produce specular reflection. Light falling on a visible object is not all reflected at the same angle nor is all of it that is incident at a given point reflected to the eye, but it is dispersed or scattered. Such a reflection is known as diffuse. Objects are made visible by diffuse reflection.

The effectiveness of a system of illumination is thus indicated by the distinctness with which the objects are seen and their colors and other features are depicted. If the light source is in the direct line of sight, vision will not be distinct, for the eye automatically adjusts itself to the most brilliant object and prevents the entrance of sufficient light from the less brilliant objects to make them clearly visible. This is also true if one side or portion of an object is brilliantly illuminated while the other side is in shadow.

It is a mistake to assume that brilliant lights give the most efficient illumination. Efficient illumination is secured by a proper and even distribution of light rather than by great intensity. The artistic aspect of lighting fixtures, however, should not be neglected.

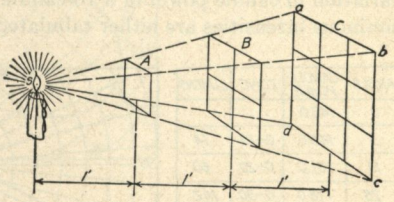


Fig. 1.

2. Light and Illumination.—Light is the physical condition of the ether which produces the sensation of vision. The sources of light are the sun, and other incandescent bodies. Those in which we are at present concerned are electric lamps. The high temperature of the lamp filament produces the condition in the ether which we call light. Illumination is the distribution of light on objects to make them visible. Light is the cause; illumination is the effect. The problem in designing a lighting system is to use light so as to obtain illumination without causing eye discomfort or strain. Lighting and illumination thus have utilitarian, artistic, and hygienic aspects. In a properly designed and efficient lighting and illumination system the sources of light should be of relatively low intrinsic brilliancy. They should be out of the direct range of vision and the distribution of light should be such that objects viewed are clear and distinct without excessive shadows or glare. Brilliancy of a lighting system is no guarantee of its efficiency from an illumination viewpoint. No modern light source should be exposed so as to be normally visible. Such a condition is harmful to the eye and contributes much toward making the lighting system unattractive.

In addition to the general factors mentioned above, many local or particular factors must be considered in designing a lighting system.

3. Distribution of Light.—If the source of light is a small incandescent ball, it is evident that it would appear equally bright from every direction. Such a body sends out light of equal intensity in every direction. The total amount of light emitted is commonly called the flux of light. Since light travels in straight lines, it is evident that a small area near the source of light will receive as much light as a larger one at a distance (Fig. 1). The small area will thus appear

more brillliantly illuminated. The illumination will also vary with the color and texture of the object and its inclination to the rays of light. Illumination is thus a function of many different factors among which the intensity or brillinacy of the light source is only one.

The brilliancy of a light source is a measure of the flux of light emitted. The intensity of light, or flux of light, in any specified direction is measured in *candles.* A *candle* is the luminous intensity of light emitted by a standard candle. This is a candle made according to certain definite specifications and burned under specified conditions. It is an arbitrary unit for measuring luminous intensity.

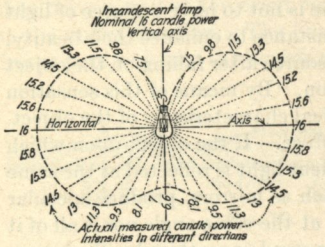


Fig. 2.

Since every practical artificial light source emits different quantities of light in different directions, the brilliancy in only one direction can be used as the unit of comparison. The light giving power in the horizontal direction has been made the basis of intensity measurements. By horizontal direction is meant every direction in a plane perpendicular to the axis of the light at its center.

The *candle power* of a lamp is its luminous intensity expressed in candles. The candle power of a lamp is usually different in different directions, hence the average or mean of the intensities is usually given. The average or mean candle power may be the average of the intensities in a great many different directions. For example, the *mean lower hemispherical* candle power of a lamp is the average of the candle power values in all directions below the horizontal. The *mean spherical* candle power of a lamp is the average of its candle power in all directions. The usual luminous rating of lamps is expressed in mean horizontal candle power; that is, the average of all values of luminous intensity in the horizontal plane.

4. Distribution Curves.[1]—As pointed out, the luminous intensity or candle power of a lamp varies with the direction. Candle power in any direction is determined by comparison with the luminous intensity of a standard lamp. A typical or rather illustrative curve showing the variation in candle power of a 16-candle power carbon lamp is shown in Fig. 2. The measured luminous intensities are either tabulated or plotted in the form of curves (see Fig. 3). At the

ANGLE	CANDLE-POWER	ZONE	LUMENS
0	142.0		
5	148.0	0–10	14
15	161.0	0–20	60
25	178.0	0–30	142
35	183.0	0–40	257
45	181.0	0–50	397
55	165.0	0–60	545
65	108.0	0–70	652
75	44.1	0–80	699
85	5.1	0–90	704
90			

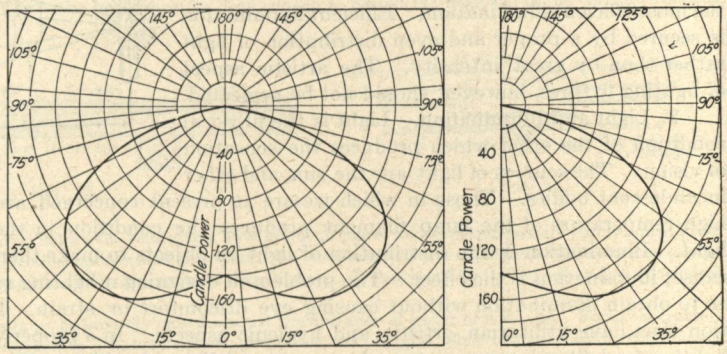


Fig. 3.

left the data are given in tabular form; at the center and right, the relations are shown by curves plotted to polar coördinates. The candle power at any angle is the average obtained as the lamp rotates about its vertical axis.

Distribution curves are graphical methods of presenting the data in the table. A distribution curve shows at a glance the variations in luminous intensities in different directions and the curves are thus simply convenient methods of presenting tabulated data. The area of a distribution curve is not a criterion of the total amount of light emitted by a lamp. Fig. 4 shows two distribution curves of two light sources emitting equal amounts of light flux.

In calculating the light flux in different zones it is customary to determine the average candle power for zones of 10 deg. width. It is sufficiently accurate for most purposes to assume that the candle power at the center of

[1] Bul. Eng. Dept., National Lamp Works of Gen. Elec. Co., No. 7G.

the zone represents the average candle power of the zone. The total light flux in lumens is then obtained by multiplying the candle power by the area of the zone on the surface of a sphere of 1 ft. radius. The factors by which such candle power values should be multiplied to give the lumens in each 10-deg. zone are:

Zone	Multiplying factors
0 deg. to 10 deg.	0.0954
10 deg. to 20 deg.	0.283
20 deg. to 30 deg.	0.463
30 deg. to 40 deg.	0.628
40 deg. to 50 deg.	0.774
50 deg. to 60 deg.	0.897
60 deg. to 70 deg.	0.992
70 deg. to 80 deg.	1.058
80 deg. to 90 deg.	1.091

Above 90 deg. the factors are the same but in the reverse order.

5. Units of Illumination.—It is evident from Fig. 1, that the amount of light from a point source falling on a given surface decreases as the square of the distance of the surface from source of light increases. The amount of light that is incident upon a square foot at a distance of 1 ft. from the source is spread out over 4 sq. ft. at a distance of 2 ft.

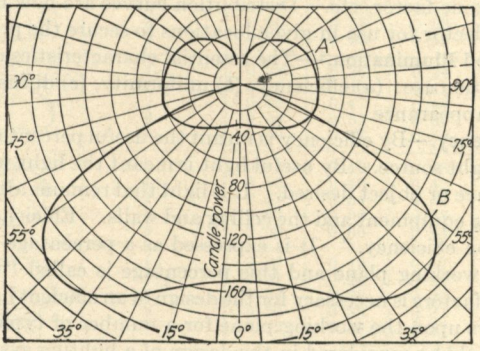


FIG. 4.

Evidently the illumination produced will vary with the quantity of light falling on the surface. That is, the illumination also varies inversely as the square of the distance of the lluminated surface from the light source.

A standard candle will produce a certain definite illumination on a surface at a distance of 1 ft. This illumination is called the *foot-candle.* It is a unit of illumination and not of candle power. In Fig. 1, if S is a lamp of 1 c.p. intensity, and A is a surface 1 ft. away, the intensity of illumination is 1 foot-candle. If the surface is farther away, like B for example, the intensity of illumination is less, or $\frac{1}{4}$ of a foot-candle. The foot-candle is a unit of intensity and accordingly any value expressed in foot-candles must be a value at one point only, unless it is given as an average value.

In calculating the illumination for a particular installation, it is convenient to select a horizontal plane on which it is assumed that illumination is desired. This plane, known as the *plane of illumination,* is usually 2 ft. 6 in. above the floor. In laying out a lighting system, it is customary to select an average foot-candle intensity on the plane of illumination, this average depending on the brilliancy of illumination desired. The lighting system is then designed to give this average value. With an average intensity in foot-candles on the plane of illumination, the intensity may vary considerably from point to point on the plane; but by using the right reflector at the proper height and by proper spacing of the lamps, the variation in intensity may be made negligible and the resulting illumination will be *uniform.*

The quantity of light emitted by a light source has been called the flux of light. The

amount of light that produces an average illumination of 1 foot-candle on an area of 1 sq. ft. is called a *lumen.* What is meant by a quantity of light will be better understood by reference to Fig. 1. The solid angle included by the planes *aSb*, *bSc*, *CSd*, and *ASd*, may be considered as including a certain amount of light. The luminous intensity in candle power may be different in different directions within the solid angle, but the quantity of light within the angle is a definite fixed amount. If this amount is such that the illumination on *A* per square foot is 1 foot-candle, the light flux in lumens is equal to the area of *A* in square feet. If *A* has an area of 1 sq. ft. and the average illumination is 1 foot-candle, the quantity or flux of light is 1 lumen. If we assume *S* to be a point source emitting light uniformly in all directions, then the total flux in lumens is equal to 4π times candle power of *S*.

Illustrative Problem.—Accord ng to curve in Fig. 3, the average candle power at an angle of 25 deg. from the vertical is 178. This is the middle of the 20 and 30-deg. zone. What is the light flux in this zone?

The multiplying factor for the zone 20 to 30 deg. is 0.463. The product of 0.463 × 178 = 82.4 lumens. The table to the left gives 142 − 60 = 82 lumens.

To use these factors with any light unit take the candle power from a light distribution curve at the middle of the zone and multiply this candle power by the zone factor. Thus, to obtain the light flux in the 0 to 10-deg. zone, read the candle power intensity at 5 deg. and multiply by the 0 to 10-deg. zone factor, etc. Distribution curves are now used principally for determining the proper reflector for use in given locations to secure the proper light distribution.

6. Essentials of Good Illumination.[1]—The essential characteristics of a satisfactory illumination system or installation are: (*a*) efficiency, (*b*) uniformity, (*c*) diffusion, (*d*) eye protection, (*e*) color value, and (*f*) appearance.

6*a*. Efficiency.—By efficiency is meant the useful percentage of the total quantity of light emitted by the light source. By useful light is meant the light which actually produces illumination on the surface or object desired. It is light that remains after subtracting the light absorbed by the reflecting equipment and the ceiling and walls. Efficiency as used here is sometimes termed "utilization efficiency." It is expressed as a percentage of the total number of lumens incident on the working plane and this percentage is called "utilization factor." A knowledge of utilization factors is necessary for the design of an efficient lighting system. Table[2] 1 gives utilization factors upon the working plane for a number of typical conditions.

While efficiency should be considered in the design of a lighting system, it is not always of prime importance especially in comparison with eye protection. It should not be sacrificed, however, unless there is a corresponding gain in some other factor. On large installations, it will always pay to calculate the cost of any sacrifice which is made in efficiency in order to be sure that it is justified.

6*b*. Uniformity.—By uniform illumination is meant the freedom from variation in the light distribution in a room or space. When the same foot-candle intensity is obtained at every point on the working plane, the illumination is uniform. Although absolute uniformity is not necessary in practice, streaks of excessive brightness and shadows are to be avoided because they are tiring to the eyes.

Degree of uniformity is usually expressed as a percentage deviation from the mean or average. Thus, if the average illumination is 2 foot-candles, the maximum 2.4 foot-candles, and the minimum 1.5 foot-candles, the greatest deviation from the average is 0.5 foot-candles. This is 25% of the average. Therefore, the degree of uniformity is expressed as 25% maximum deviation from the mean.

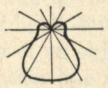
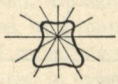
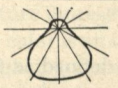
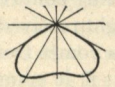
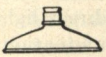
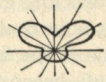
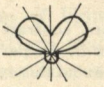
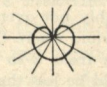
Illumination that does not have a greater deviation than 30% from the mean is, for all practical purposes, uniform illumination. The eye cannot detect such a variation in an ordinary room. Variations considerably greater than this are often found even in well laid out systems. In rooms where close work is to be performed, such as offices, drafting rooms, schools and the like, 30% maximum deviation is a desirable limit. In stores, churches, theatres, many parts of factories, etc., variations up to 50% may be allowed. In such places as warehouses, stock rooms, corridors, etc., still greater variations in illumination are not serious.

[1] The Lighting Handbook, Gen. Elec. Co.

[2] Fundamentals of Illumination Design, National Lamp Works of Gen. Elec. Co.

Table 1.—Coefficients of Utilization

This table applies to installations in *square rooms* having sufficient lighting units symmetrically arranged to produce reasonably uniform illumination. To obtain the coefficient for any rectangular room, find the value for a square room of the narrow dimension and add one-third of the difference between this value and the coefficient for a square room of the long dimension.

	Reflection factor: Ceiling / Walls			Light, 70%			Medium, 50%		Dark, 30%
				Light, 50%	Medium, 35%	Dark, 20%	Medium, 35%	Dark, 20%	Dark, 20%
	Reflector type	Light output	Ratio = room width / ceiling height						
1			1	0.42	0.38	0.35	0.36	0.34	0.33
			1½	0.50	0.46	0.43	0.44	0.42	0.41
			2	0.56	0.52	0.49	0.50	0.47	0.45
			3	0.63	0.59	0.55	0.56	0.53	0.51
			5	0.70	0.66	0.63	0.63	0.60	0.57
2			1	0.31	0.27	0.24	0.24	0.21	0.18
			1½	0.37	0.33	0.30	0.30	0.27	0.24
			2	0.43	0.39	0.35	0.34	0.31	0.27
			3	0.49	0.45	0.41	0.39	0.36	0.31
			5	0.56	0.52	0.48	0.45	0.42	0.36
3			1	0.41	0.37	0.34	0.35	0.33	0.32
			1½	0.49	0.45	0.42	0.43	0.41	0.39
			2	0.54	0.50	0.47	0.48	0.46	0.44
			3	0.60	0.56	0.53	0.53	0.51	0.49
			5	0.67	0.63	0.59	0.59	0.57	0.54
4			1	0.38	0.36	0.34	0.35	0.33	0.33
			1½	0.45	0.43	0.41	0.42	0.40	0.40
			2	0.49	0.47	0.45	0.46	0.44	0.44
			3	0.54	0.52	0.50	0.51	0.49	0.49
			5	0.59	0.57	0.55	0.56	0.54	0.54
5			1	0.43	0.40	0.38	0.39	0.37	0.37
			1½	0.52	0.49	0.47	0.48	0.46	0.46
			2	0.57	0.54	0.52	0.53	0.51	0.51
			3	0.63	0.60	0.58	0.59	0.57	0.57
			5	0.69	0.66	0.64	0.65	0.63	0.63
6			1	0.22	0.19	0.17	0.14	0.12	0.07
			1½	0.27	0.24	0.22	0.17	0.15	0.09
			2	0.31	0.28	0.26	0.20	0.18	0.11
			3	0.36	0.33	0.31	0.24	0.22	0.13
			5	0.42	0.39	0.37	0.28	0.26	0.16
7			1	0.27	0.24	0.21	0.20	0.17	0.14
			1½	0.34	0.30	0.27	0.25	0.22	0.18
			2	0.39	0.35	0.32	0.29	0.26	0.21
			3	0.45	0.41	0.38	0.34	0.31	0.25
			5	0.51	0.47	0.44	0.40	0.37	0.29
8			1	0.24	0.21	0.19	0.16	0.14	0.10
			1½	0.30	0.27	0.24	0.20	0.18	0.13
			2	0.34	0.31	0.28	0.23	0.21	0.15
			3	0.39	0.36	0.33	0.27	0.25	0.18
			5	0.45	0.42	0.39	0.32	0.30	0.21
9			1	0.23	0.20	0.17	0.18	0.16	0.14
			1½	0.30	0.26	0.23	0.24	0.21	0.19
			2	0.35	0.31	0.28	0.28	0.25	0.22
			3	0.41	0.37	0.34	0.33	0.30	0.26
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			1½	0.40	0.36	0.33	0.34	0.32	0.30
			2	0.45	0.41	0.38	0.39	0.37	0.35
			3	0.52	0.47	0.44	0.45	0.42	0.40
			5	0.59	0.54	0.51	0.51	0.48	0.46

Uniform illumination can be obtained by the proper placing of lamps and by the use of properly designed reflectors. This is shown in Fig. 5. To secure uniform illumination on the working plane with different types of reflectors, the lamps must be mounted at different heights. Not only is the mounting height of the lamp dependent upon the type of reflector, but also upon the spacing of the lamps. A table of maximum spacings and minimum mounting heights is given in Table 2.

TABLE 2.—RECOMMENDED MAXIMUM SPACINGS AND MINIMUM MOUNTING HEIGHTS FOR VARIOUS UNITS

(Mounting height equals distance of light source above plane of illumination)

Equipment	* Ratio = Spacing / Mounting height	† Ratio = Mounting height / Spacing
Prismatic, mirror, or aluminum:		
Intensive	1½	⅔
Focusing	¾	1⅓
Extensive	1⅔	⅗
Indirect or semi-indirect	1½‡	⅔‡
Opal or porcelain enamel:		
Bowl	1⅔	⅗
Dome	1⅔	⅗
Totally enclosing glass	1⅔	⅗
Semi-enclosing	1½	⅔

* To get maximum spacing distance, multiply Ratio by mounting height.

† To get minimum mounting height, multiply Ratio by spacing distance.

‡ Height equals distance between ceiling and plane of illumination.

6c. Diffusion.—Diffusion of illumination may be defined as the degree to which the light received at any point comes from different directions If the light received at any point on the plane of illumination comes from many directions, the diffusion is good; if it comes from only a few directions, the diffusion is poor. An example of good diffusion is furnished by indirect lighting in which the light on the plane of illumination comes from a large area—the ceiling. An example of poor diffusion is illumination obtained from a single opaque parabolic reflector which projects the light in a single direction. A high degree of diffusion eliminates shadows and glare. Poor diffusion of illumination is characterized by excessive brightness at some portions of the field of view resulting in impaired vision and discomfort to the eye.

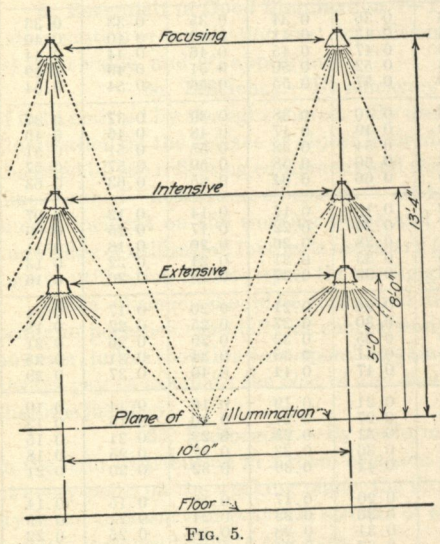


FIG. 5.

Another type of glare, contrast glare, is due to excessively bright light sources in comparison with other objects. Authorities state that to avoid this type of glare, visible light sources should not be more than 200 times as bright as their background, and preferably not over 100 times, in ordinary artificial lighting of interiors where the average illumination on the working plane is from 3 to 6 foot-candles, and for higher illumination intensities than 6 foot-candles this limit of contrast should be less than 100 to 1.

6d. Eye Protection.—The importance of protecting the eyes against the injurious effects of improperly placed lights, excessive brightness, glare, and other harmful consequences of an improperly designed lighting system, cannot be too strongly emphasized. Eye protection should be given first consideration in any illumination scheme. In any well designed lighting system, care should be taken to so place and shade light sources so that the bare, brilliant source will not be in the range of vision nor will there be extreme contrasts of light and shade. When reflectors are used they should be deep enough to conceal the lamp from view at all ordinary angles of vision. The glare from a brilliant light source is most detrimental where the light source is close to the line of sight. As it is moved away from the line of sight, the glare decreases, and practically ceases when the angle between the line of sight and the line from the lamp to the eye is over 25 deg. The maximum angle of glare effect is shown in Fig. 6. Three

clear globe lamps in the sockets would be quite objectionable. A deep panel reflector will remove this objection and prevent harmful glare. Under all ordinary conditions, deep bowl reflectors, covering the lamp down to 65 deg., give sufficient shielding for good eye protection. It is evident that a glass reflector to be effective must not transmit too much light. The reflectors should be of prismatic construction or the glass should be of sufficient opacity to greatly reduce the amount of transmitted light. Ground glass or opalescent glass should not be used especially with gas-filled (Type C) Mazda lamps.

6*e*. Color Value.—The eye has developed under the stimulus of the light of the sun or white light as it is commonly called. The color of an illuminated body may be due to several causes. It is obvious that the color of an object will depend fundamentally upon that of the illuminating light; but since we are so accustomed to viewing objects by sunlight, in describing the color of an object the illumination is always assumed to be white light. White light or sunlight is then the normal light for ordinary illumination purposes. When artificial light sources are used, the light should approach white light as closely as possible. In churches, residences, theatres, and many classes of stores and factories, white light is not essential and the usual types of reflecting equipment are entirely satisfactory. On the other hand, white light is quite essential in establishments such as drygoods and clothing stores, millinery shops, art galleries, furniture stores, florists shops, color-printing shops, hospitals, doctor's offices, etc., or any place where color is an important factor in determining the value or condition of the object. In laying out a lighting system it is usually unnecessary to give much consideration to the color question, except to avoid colors that are disagreeable and injurious to the eyes. In many cases, as pointed out above, the shades, reflectors, and lamps should be carefully considered in order that as near as possible white light may be secured.

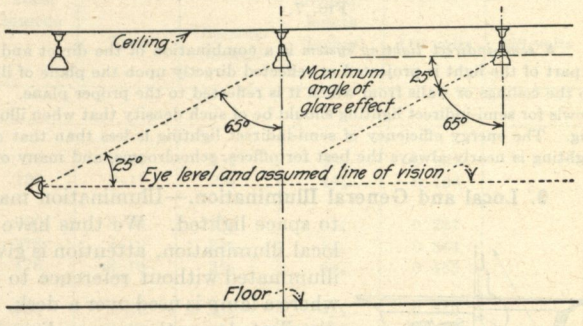


FIG. 6.

6*f*. Appearance.—The purpose of illuminating objects is not merely to show their presence and to facilitate movement, but also to arouse emotions; that is, to create pleasurable and informative impressions on the human mind. In other words, the function of lighting is not narrowly utilitarian but it also has an esthetic value. "Since it is the pattern made by rays of varying intensity and of varying color on the retina, calling up various reminiscences to our mind, that enables us to see, to understand what lies before us, it follows that the type of lighting that sets in motion the most powerful train of associative ideas is the one that may have greatest emotional effect; but the intensity of the emotional effect is not proportional to the intensity of the light even though the intensity of that light may affect the clearness with which the different physical aspects of the object are discerned. The physical aspects are not always the most interesting features; we are often more interested in the memories called up by the object."[1] Proper lighting is, therefore, of tremendous artistic importance, and the illumination engineer and the architect should jointly plan the lighting system so that the result may not be garish but artistic and harmonious.

7. The Design of Lighting Systems.—In designing a lighting system the following process is usually followed: (1) the selection of the type of lighting system and lighting units, (2) calculation of the quantity and distribution of the light flux, and (3) determination of the location and size of lighting units.

8. Types of Lighting Systems.—In general, the different lighting systems may be classed as direct, indirect, and semi-indirect. Although no definitions of these terms have been agreed upon, nevertheless, certain distinctions and characteristics are usually recognized as explained in the following articles.

[1] Lowell, Illuminating Engineering Practice.

Direct lighting is a term applied to a system of lighting in which the light is projected either directly or by means of a reflector mounted on the lamps in the direction of the objects to be illuminated. Any lamp enclosed in a ball globe or equipped with a glass ornamental reflector, arranged to reflect the light toward the object illuminated, is classified as direct lighting (Fig. 7). The energy efficiency, measured in watts per foot-candle on illuminated surface, is highest in direct lighting.

An *indirect lighting system* is one in which all the light is first reflected to the ceiling or walls from which it is again reflected to the plane to be illuminated. Before reaching the plane of illumination the light undergoes at least two and perhaps more reflections (Fig. 8). Since some light is absorbed at each reflection, it is evident that the energy efficiency is comparatively low.

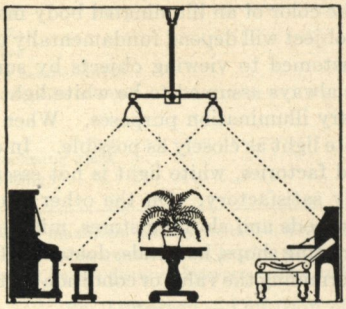


FIG. 7.

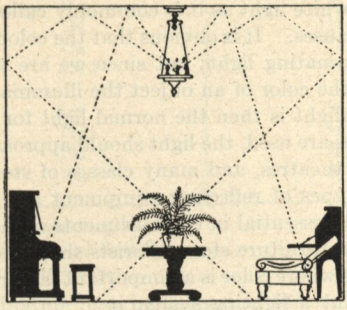


FIG. 8.

A *semi-indirect lighting system* is a combination of the direct and indirect lighting systems. In this system a part of the light is projected or reflected directly upon the plane of illumination, but the greater part is directed to the ceilings or walls from which it is reflected to the proper plane. This is illustrated in Fig. 9. The different bowls for semi-indirect lighting should be of such density that when illuminated they are no brighter than the ceiling. The energy efficiency of semi-indirect lighting is less than that of direct lighting. Indirect or semi-indirect lighting is nearly always the best for offices, schoolrooms, and many other types of work rooms.

9. Local and General Illumination.—Illumination may also be considered with reference to space lighted. We thus have *local* and *general* illumination. In local illumination, attention is given only to the objects or space to be illuminated without reference to the surroundings —as, for example, where a lamp is used over a desk. In general illumination the light is distributed over the surrounding objects as well as over a given particular space. Local lighting should not be used by itself but only in combination with general illumination.

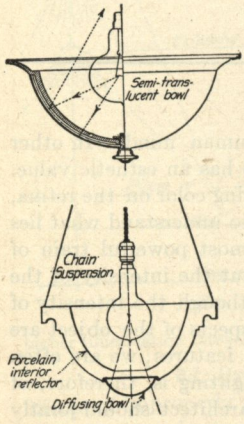


FIG. 9.

10. Selection of Lighting Units.[1]—Whether gas or electric lamps shall be used will depend on local conditions. Both the electric incandescent lamp and the gas mantle burners are adapted to the illumination of almost any kind of interior from the roughest to the most refined. For the illumination of certain types of offices and industrial plants, the mercury vapor lamp is also available. The color of the light from the mercury vapor lamp is objectionable from an artistic standpoint although it has not been found harmful. It is especially well adapted for drafting rooms and the like.

In choosing between the electric incandescent lamp and the gas mantle burner, the following factors will guide in the proper selection: (*a*) relative cost per 1000 lumens at current prices; (*b*) relative convenience of control; (*c*) blacking of walls and ceiling by gas; (*d*) variation in pressure of gas and of voltage in electric supply; (*e*) the relative cost of glassware and mantle renewals; (*f*) no lighting unit should be chosen which does not permit the use of proper globe, shade, or reflector to secure the satisfactory distribution of light and does not satisfy hygienic requirements.

[1]Principles of Interior Illumination by Cravath, Harrison and Pierce, Illuminating Engineering Practice, pp. 64 and 65.

Mazda lamps on the market are of two types, B and C (Fig. 10). The type B lamp differs from the type C lamp in that the bulb contains no gas and the filament of tungsten is not concentrated. The lamp is operated at lower brilliancy and hence is somewhat less efficient. The type C lamp also contains a tungsten filament, but this is usually in spiral or other concentrated form and the bulb contains some inert gas, such as nitrogen. The two types are more accurately designated as vacuum and gas-filled tungsten lamps. The term Mazda is a trade name.

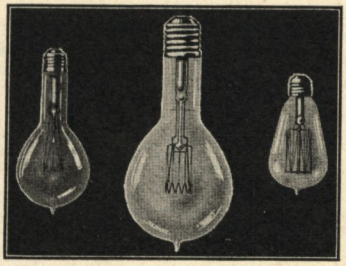


FIG. 10.

The vacuum tungsten lamps[1] are supplied in either straight side or round bulbs for voltages of 110 to 125 and 220 to 250 volts, Table 3. The light efficiency ranges from 7.5 lumens per watt for the 10-watt amp to 10.6 lumens per watt for the 100-watt round bulb lamp.

The tungsten filaments of the gas filled lamps are mounted in pear shaped bulbs of clear and blue-green colored glass. The trade designation of the former is type C and of the latter, type C-2. The efficiencies of the type C lamps range from 11.5 lumens per watt for the 75-watt 110 to 125-volt lamp to approximately 18 lumens per watt for the 1000-watt lamp of the same voltage and class. The type C-2 lamps employ blue-green colored glass for the bulbs

TABLE 3.[2]—MULTIPLE TUNGSTEN LAMPS

Type B

Volts	Watts	Watts per spherical candle power	Lumens per watt	Total lumens	Bulb		Maximum overall length (inches)	Amperes	
					Type	Diameter (inches)		110 volts	220 volts
Straight side									
110 to 125	10	1.67	7.52	75	S–17	2 1/8	4 5/8	0.091	
	15	1.47	8.55	128	S–17	2 1/8	4 5/8	0.136	
	25	1.37	9.17	230	S–19	2 3/8	5 1/4	0.227	
	40	1.33	9.45	378	S–19	2 3/8	5 1/4	0.364	
	50	1.32	9.52	476	S–19	2 3/8	5 1/4	0.455	
	60	1.29	9.74	585	S–21	2 5/8	5 1/2	0.546	
	100	1.24	10.13	1010	S–30	3 3/4	7 7/8	0.91	
220 to 250	25	1.65	7.62	190	S–19	2 3/8	5 1/4		0.114
	50	1.49	8.43	422	S–19	2 3/8	5 1/4		0.227
	100	1.39	9.04	900	S–30	3 3/4	7 7/8		0.455
	150	1.33	9.45	1420	S–35	4 3/8	8 3/4		0.67
	250	1.20	10.47	2620	S–40	5	10		1.14
Round bulb									
110 to 125	15	1.53	8.21	123	G–18 1/2	2 5/16	3 3/4	0.136	
	15	1.43	8.79	132	G–25	3 1/8	4 3/4	0.136	
	25	1.45	8.67	222	G–18 1/2	2 5/16	3 3/4	0.227	
	25	1.35	9.31	240	G–25	3 1/8	4 3/4	0.227	
	40	1.33	9.45	386	G–25	3 1/8	4 3/4	0.364	
	60	1.23	10.22	630	G–30	3 3/4	5 1/2	0.546	
	100	1.18	10.65	1100	G–35	4 3/8	7 1/4	0.91	
220 to 250	25	1.63	7.71	193	G–25	3 1/8	4 3/4		0.114
	50	1.49	8.43	422	G–25	3 1/8	4 3/4		0.228

[1] Bul. 13F, Eng. Dept. of National Lamp Works of Gen. Elec. Co.

[2] Data corrected to Jan., 1918.

Type C

Volts	Watts	Watts per spherical candle power	Lumens per watt	Total lumens	Bulb		Maximum overall length (inches)	Amperes	
					Type	Diameter (inches)		110 volts	220 volts
	75	1.09	11.53	865	PS–22	2¾	6⅛	0.68	
	100	1.00	12.57	1,260	PS–25	3½	7⅛	0.91	
	150	0.92	13.66	2,050	PS–25	3½	7⅛	1.37	
110	200	0.86	14.61	2,920	PS–30	3¾	8⅜	1.82	
to	300	0.78	16.11	4,850	PS–35	4⅜	9¾	2.74	
125	400	0.82	15.32	6,150	PS–40	5	10	3.64	
	500	0.78	16.11	8,050	PS–40	5	10	4.55	
	750	0.74	16.98	12,800	PS–52	6½	13⅜	6.80	
	1000	0.70	17.95	18,000	PS–52	6½	13⅜	9.10	
	200	1.00	12.57	2,520	PS–30	3¾	8⅜		0.91
	300	0.92	13.66	4,100	PS–35	4⅜	9¾		1.37
220	400	0.86	14.61	5,850	PS–40	5	10		1.82
to									
250	500	0.85	14.78	7,400	PS–40	5	10		2.27
	750	0.82	15.32	11,500	PS–52	6½	13⅜		3.41
	1000	0.78	16.11	16,100	PS–52	6½	13⅜		4.55

Type C-2

Volts	Watts	Watts per spherical candle power	Lumens per watt	Total lumens	Bulb		Maximum overall length (inches)	Amperes	
					Type	Diameter (inches)		110 volts	220 volts
	75	1.58	8.0	600	PS–22	2¾	6⅛	0.68	
	100	1.44	8.7	870	PS–25	3½	7⅛	0.91	
110	150	1.34	9.4	1400	PS–25	3½	7⅛	1.37	
to									
125	200	1.25	10.1	2000	PS–30	3¾	8⅜	1.82	
	300	1.12	11.2	3350	PS–35	4⅜	9¾	2.74	
	500	1.12	11.2	5600	PS–40	5	10	4.55	

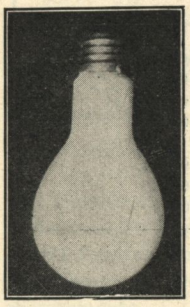


Fig. 11.

and are designed for general illumination when approximately daylight color quality is desired. The total light output of the lamps is somewhat decreased by the absorption of the colored bulb. The luminous efficiencies are of the same order as those of the vacuum lamps. Recently there has been placed on the market a gas-filled lamp in an opalescent bulb, Fig. 11.

The filaments of all gas-filled lamps are intensely bright and hence should always be screened from the eye.

11. Quantity and Distribution of Light.—The range of possible illumination intensities for illumination varies from a fraction of a foot-candle to several thousand foot-candles. If the intensities are too low, however, it is impossible to distinguish detail, and thus there is a minimum intensity below which illumination is not satisfactory. There is no exact limit to the upper ranges but considerations of economy usually limit the intensities to the lower values for artificial illumination. Another consideration that determines the illumination intensity is the use and character of the room or space to be illumi-

TABLE 4.—RECOMMENDED ILLUMINATION INTENSITIES FOR DIFFERENT CLASSES OF SERVICE[1]

1 Class of service	2[2] Method of illumination	3[3] Suitable kind of lighting	4[4] Intensity of illumination, foot-candles
Armory	G	D	2.0– 3.0
Assembly room	G	D, SI, I	0.5– 1.5
Auditorium	G	D, SI, I	1.0– 3.0
Automobile show room	G	D, SI	3.0– 6.0
Ballroom	G	D, SI	2.0– 5.0
Bank, general	G	I, SI,D	2.0– 3.0
Bank, desk	G, L	D, SI,	4.0– 6.0
Barber shop	G, L	D, SI, I	3.0– 5.0
Billiard room:			
General	G	D, SI	0.8– 1.5
Tables	L	D	6.0–10.0
Bowling alley	G, L	D	1.0– 2.0
Bowling pins	G, L	D	4.0– 6.0
Cafe, general only	G	I, SI, D	2.0– 4.0
Cafe, with table lights	G, L	SI	1.0– 2.0
Card room	G	D	2.0– 3.0
Church	G	I, SI, D	2.0– 3.0
Corridors	G	D, SI	0.5– 1.5
Court room	G	D, SI	2.0– 4.0
Desk	L	D	4.0– 6.0
Drafting room	G, L	I, SI, D	6.0–12.0
Garage	G, L	D	2.0– 3.0
Gymnasium	G	D	2.0– 4.0
Hospital:			
Ward room, dim	G	I, SI	0.2– 0.3
Ward room, bright	G	I, SI	2.0– 3.0
Operating table	L, G	D	15.0–25.0
Hotel:			
Bedroom	G, L	SI, D	1.5– 3.0
Dining room	G	SI, D	2.0– 4.0
Dining room	G, L	SI	1.0– 2.0
Lobby	G	SI, D	2.0– 4.0
Library:			
Stack room	L, G	D	1.5– 2.0
Reading room	G	SI	3.0– 4.0
Reading room	G, L	SI, D	1.0– 1.5
Office:			
Large	G	SI, D	3.5– 5.0
Large	G, L	SI, D	1.5– 2.0
Small (private)	G, L	SI, D	3.0– 4.0
Small, general	G	SI	3.0– 5.0
Residence:			
Hall	G	SI, D	0.7– 1.0
Parlor	G	SI, D	1.0– 3.0
Living room	G	SI, D	1.5– 2.5
Dining room	G	SI, D	1.0– 3.0
Library	G, L	SI, D	1.5– 2.5
Kitchen	G, L	D	2.0– 3.0
Laundry	G	D	1.5– 3.0
Bathroom	G, L	D	2.0– 3.0
Bedroom	G, L	SI, D	1.0– 3.0
Store and furnace rooms	G	D	0.4– 0.8
Schools:			
Auditorium	G	SI, D	2.0– 4.0
Blackboards	G	SI, D	3.0– 5.0
Class rooms	G	SI, D	3.0– 5.0
Laboratories	G	SI, D	3.0– 5.0
Sewing rooms	G, L	SI, D	5.0–10.0
Shop rooms	G, L	D	2.0– 6.0

TABLE 4.—*Continued*

1 Class of service	2[2] Method of illumination	3[3] Suitable kind of lighting	4[4] Intensity of illumination, foot-candles
Stores:			
Large department stores:			
Main floors	G	SI, I, D	6.0–10.0
Other floors	G	SI, I, D	4.0– 7.0
Stores of medium size:			
Book and stationery	G	SI, D	3.0– 6.0
Clothing	G	SI, D	4.0– 7.0
Drug	G	SI, D	4.0– 6.0
Dry goods	G	SI, D	4.0– 7.0
Furniture	G	SI, D	3.0– 5.0
Grocery	G	SI, D	3.0– 5.0
Exclusive small stores:			
Light goods	G	SI, I, D	6.0–10.0
Dark goods	G	SI, I, D	8.0–12.0
Small stores in general.			
Art	G	SI, D	5.0– 8.0
Book	G	D, SI	3.0– 5.0
Bakery	G	D, SI	3.0– 4.0
Butcher	G	D, SI	3.0– 4.0
Cigar	G	D, SI	4.0– 6.0
Clothing	G	D, SI	4.0– 7.0
Confectionery	G	D, SI	3.0– 5.0
Decorator	G	D, SI	4.0– 5.0
Drug	G	D, SI	3.0– 6.0
Dry goods	G	D, SI	4.0– 7.0
Florist	G	D, SI	3.0– 4.0
Furrier	G	D, SI	5.0– 7.0
Grocery	G	D, SI	3.0– 4.0
Haberdashery	G	D, SI	5.0– 7.0
Hardware	G	D, SI	3.0– 4.0
Hat	G	D, SI	4.0– 6.0
Jewelry	G	D, SI	4.0– 6.0
Millinery	G	D, SI	4.0– 6.0
Notions	G	D, SI	3.0– 5.0
Shoe	G	D, SI	3.0– 4.0
Tailor	G	D, SI	4.0– 7.0
Theatre:			
Auditorium	G	SI, D	1.0– 3.0
Moving picture, dim	G	SI, D	0.1– 0.3
Moving picture, bright	G	SI, D	1.0– 2.0
Station:			
Waiting room	G	D	2.0– 3.0

[1] Holophane Works of Gen. Elec. Co., Engineering Dept., National Lamp Works of Gen. Elec. Co., F. A. Vaughn and others.

[2] In column 2, G means general and L means local illumination.

[3] In column 3, D means direct, SI semi-indirect and I, indirect lighting.

[4] In column 4, the intensities of illumination are those recommended by various authorities. The illumination intensities for general illumination are the average over the working plane. The values given for general and local illumination are those recommended for general lighting.

nated. It cannot therefore be said that certain illumination intensities will give the most satisfactory illumination under all conditions, but under the limitations mentioned above, they will give satisfactory results. Illumination intensities that will fulfill these requirements for various classes of service are given in Table 4.

12. Determination of Size and Location of Lamps.—When the type of lighting and the intensity of illumination has been decided upon, the next step is the determination of the exact size and location of the lighting units. The problems under this head are in general of two

types: viz., either local illumination of a certain intensity will be required while little consideration will be given to general illumination, or minimum and maximum intensities for general illumination are specified and little regard is given to local lighting.

In the problems of the first class, it is assumed that a certain number of foot-candles illumination is desired at a particular point. Such problems are solved by what is known as the Point-by-point method of illumination calculation. The general principles of the method are as follows: In Fig. 12, let

Cp = candle power of lamp in the direction from lamp to T.
h = height in feet of lamp above the plane of illumination.
l = distance in feet of point P from lamp.
I_h = illumination intensity in foot-candles on horizontal plane at T.
I_v = illumination intensity in foot-candles on a vertical plane.

Then the illumination in foot-candles at point T on plane TB is

$$\text{Illumination} = \frac{Cp}{l^2} \text{ foot-candles}$$

Since the plane TB makes an angle with the plane of illumination, the intensity of illumination on plane AP at point P is

$$I_h = \frac{Cp}{l^2} \cos \phi \text{ foot-candles}$$

The candle power of the lamp in the direction of T is taken from the photometric or candle power distribution curve. As this is usually plotted for 5-deg. values of ϕ, and as h is fixed, it is more convenient to express the illumination intensity on the horizontal plane at T in terms of Cp, h, and $\cos \phi$. Thus,

$$l^2 = \frac{h^2}{\cos^2 \phi}$$

$$I_h = \frac{Cp}{\frac{h^2}{\cos^2 \phi}} \cos \phi$$

$$= \frac{Cp}{h^2} \cos^3 \phi$$

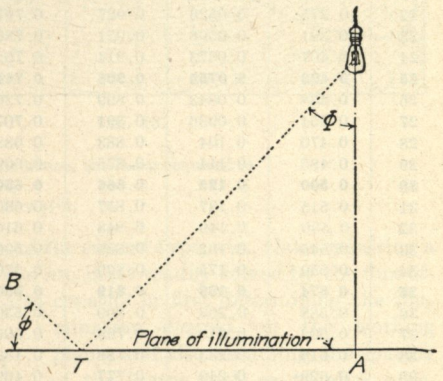


Fig. 12.

In exactly the same way the illumination intensity on a vertical plane can be calculated from the equation

$$I_v = \frac{Cp}{s^2} \sin^3 \phi$$

where s is the horizontal distance from the point P to the vertical dropped from the lamp, or TA (see Fig. 12).

The candle powers to be substituted in the above formulas are taken from the distribution curves in the particular direction. They are not the nominal rated candle power of the light source. To facilitate calculation, values of $\cos^3 \phi$ for degree intervals are given in Table 5. The process explained above may, however, be reversed and the size of lamp required to give a certain assumed illumination intensity for local illumination be calculated. Thus, if I is given, we have

$$Cp = \frac{Ih^2}{\cos^3 \phi}$$

That is, the candle power in the desired direction is obtained by multiplying the illumination intensity on the horizontal plane by $\frac{h^2}{\cos^3 \phi}$. If the position of the illumination plane is not specified, the result will be approximately correct if the illumination intensity in foot-candles is multiplied by the square of the distance, in feet, of the point to be illuminated from the lamp. By comparing the candle power thus calculated with the candle power curves of lamps

TABLE 5.—TABLE OF $\cos^3$ AND $\sin^3$

$\phi°$	$\sin\phi$	$\sin^3\phi$	$\cos\phi$	$\cos^3\phi$	$\phi°$	$\sin\phi$	$\sin^3\phi$	$\cos\phi$	$\cos^3\phi$
0	0.0000	0.0000	1.000	1.000	43	0.682	0.317	0.731	0.391
1	0.0175	0.0000	1.000	1.000	44	0.695	0.335	0.719	0.372
2	0.0349	0.0000	0.999	0.998	45	0.707	0.354	0.707	0.354
3	0.0523	0.0001	1.999	0.996	46	0.719	0.372	0.695	0.335
4	0.0698	0.0003	0.998	0.993	47	0.731	0.391	0.682	0.317
5	**0.0872**	**0.0007**	**0.996**	**0.989**	**48**	**0.743**	**0.410**	**0.669**	**0.300**
6	0.105	0.0011	0.995	0.984	49	0.755	0.430	0.656	0.282
7	0.122	0.0018	0.993	0.978	50	0.766	0.450	0.643	0.266
8	0.139	0.0027	0.990	0.971	51	0.777	0.469	0.629	0.249
9	0.156	0.0038	0.988	0.964	52	0.788	0.489	0.616	0.233
10	**0.174**	**0.0052**	**0.985**	**0.955**	**53**	**0.799**	**0.509**	**0.602**	**0.218**
11	0.191	0.0069	0.982	0.946	54	0.809	0.530	0.588	0.203
12	0.208	0.0090	0.978	0.936	55	0.819	0.550	0.574	0.189
13	0.225	0.0114	0.974	0.925	56	0.829	0.570	0.559	0.175
14	0.242	0.0142	0.970	0.913	57	0.839	0.590	0.545	0.162
15	**0.259**	**0.0173**	**0.966**	**0.901**	**58**	**0.848**	**0.610**	**0.530**	**0.149**
16	0.276	0.0209	0.961	0.888	59	0.857	0.630	0.515	0.137
17	0.292	0.0250	0.956	0.875	60	0.866	0.650	0.500	0.125
18	0.309	0.0295	0.951	0.860	61	0.875	0.669	0.485	0.114
19	0.326	0.0345	0.946	0.845	62	0.883	0.688	0.470	0.103
20	**0.342**	**0.0400**	**0.940**	**0.830**	**63**	**0.891**	**0.707**	**0.454**	**0.9036**
21	0.358	0.0460	0.934	0.814	64	0.899	0.726	0.438	0.0842
22	0.375	0.0526	0.927	0.797	65	0.906	0.744	0.423	0.0755
23	0.391	0.0596	0.921	0.780	66	0.914	0.762	0.407	0.0673
24	0.407	0.0673	0.914	0.762	67	0.921	0.780	0.391	0.0597
25	**0.423**	**0.0755**	**0.906**	**0.744**	**68**	**0.927**	**0.797**	**0.375**	**0.0526**
26	0.438	0.0843	0.899	0.726	69	0.934	0.814	0.358	0.0460
27	0.454	0.0936	0.891	0.707	70	0.940	0.830	0.342	0.0409
28	0.470	0.104	0.883	0.688	71	0.946	0.845	0.326	0.0345
29	0.485	0.114	0.875	0.669	72	0.951	0.860	0.309	0.0295
30	**0.500**	**0.125**	**0.866**	**0.650**	**73**	**0.956**	**0.875**	**0.292**	**0.0250**
31	0.515	0.137	0.857	0.630	74	0.961	0.888	0.276	0.0209
32	0.530	0.149	0.848	0.610	75	0.966	0.901	0.259	0.0173
33	0.545	0.162	0.839	0.590	76	0.970	0.914	0.242	0.0142
34	0.559	0.175	0.829	0.570	77	0.974	0.925	0.225	0.0114
35	**0.574**	**0.189**	**0.819**	**0.550**	**78**	**0.978**	**0.936**	**0.208**	**0.00899**
36	0.588	0.203	0.809	0.530	79	0.982	0.946	0.191	0.00695
37	0.602	0.218	0.799	0.509	80	0.985	0.955	0.174	0.00524
38	0.616	0.233	0.788	0.489	81	0.988	0.664	0.156	0.00383
39	0.629	0.249	0.777	0.469	82	0.990	0.971	0.139	0.00270
40	**0.643**	**0.266**	**0.766**	**0.450**	**83**	**0.993**	**0.978**	**0.122**	**0.00181**
41	0.656	0.282	0.755	0.430	84	0.995	0.984	0.105	0.00114
42	0.669	0.300	0.743	0.410	85	0.996	0.989	0.0872	0.0006

TABLE 6.—PERCENT INCREASE IN ILLUMINATION

Color of ceiling	Color of walls	Increase over calculated illumination
Very dark	Very dark	0 per cent
Medium	Very dark	15 per cent
Medium	Medium	40 per cent
Very light	Very dark	30 per cent
Very light	Medium	35 per cent
Very light	Very light	80 per cent

of different sizes, the proper lamp can be selected. If photometric curves for all sizes of lamps are not available, the proper size can usually be calculated with sufficiently close approximation from curves of one size of lamp.

It is evident that the illumination calculated by above formulas does not consider the influence of the light reflected from walls and surrounding objects. The increase in illumination produced by this reflected light is impossible to determine in advance, as it depends upon the size of the room, type of reflectors, color, and condition of the walls and ceiling. The approximate percent increases are indicated in Table 6.

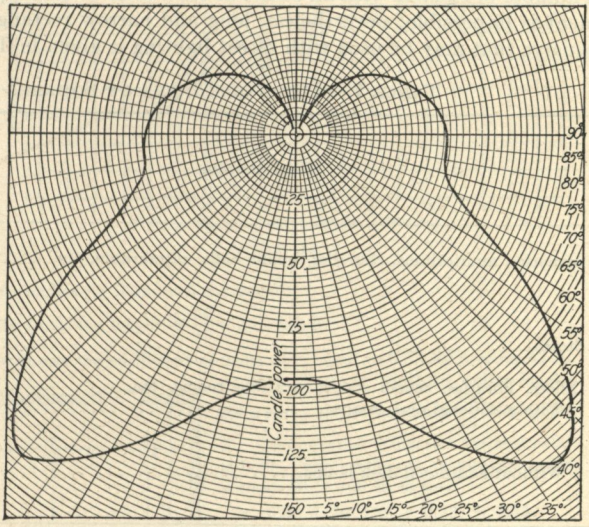


FIG. 13.

Illustrative Problem.—The photometric curve (Fig. 13) is for the type of light source that has been selected for a given installation. The lamp is a 100-watt vacuum tungsten lamp. What size lamp must be used to give an illumination of 4 foot-candles at a distance of 8 ft. from the light source and at an angle of 25 deg. with the vertical through the lamp? The color of the ceiling is very light and the walls medium.

Table 6 shows that the increase in illumination for very light ceilings and medium walls is about 35 %. Hence, the direct illumination will be about 3 foot-candles and that due to reflection, 1 foot-candle. The candle power of the lamp in the direction desired is then

$$Cp = (3)(8)^2 = 192$$

Curve (Fig. 13) shows the 100-watt lamp emits 129 candle power at an angle of 25 deg. with the vertical, hence, the lamp required is

$$\frac{(100)\ (192)}{129} = 149 \text{ or } 150 \text{ watts.}$$

Most of the illumination problems are, however, of the second type, viz., those requiring a certain average general illumination. These problems are most readily solved by the flux-of-light method of illumination calculation. The process consists in first determining the illumination desired on the working plane, and also assuming the spacing of the lamps such as to give a reasonable degree of uniformity. The next step is the calculation of the total light flux in lumens required to be generated by the lamps. This is obtained by the simple formula

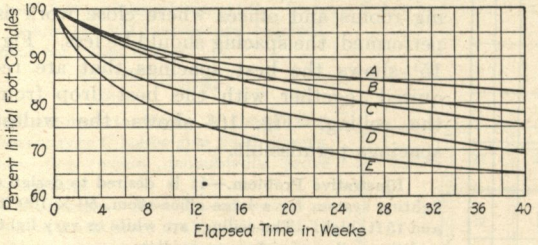


FIG. 14.

$$\text{Lumens} = \frac{\text{Area (sq. ft.)} \times \text{intensity (ft.-candles)}}{\text{coefficient of utilization}}$$

or

$$L = \frac{AI}{k}$$

where A is the area of the working plane, I is the desired illumination intensity, and k is the coefficient of utilization as given in Table 1. In applying the foregoing formula the important thing is to select the proper value of k, due allowance being made for dirt and age of lamp. The depreciation caused by dust is shown by curves in Fig. 14. If opaque reflectors are used, k can be determined for most large interiors from the distribution curve of the lamp and reflector

by dividing the total lumens emitted by the lamp by the lumens emitted in the zone from 0 to 70 deg. For smaller rooms, a smaller zone should be used.

When the total number of lumens required are determined, there remains the determination of the size of the lamps and their location. These two are interrelated quantities, for the number of outlets is determined by the architectural features of the room, such as the ceiling panels, and considerations of symmetry. The ideal condition is when the ceiling is divided into a number of squares with an outlet at the center of each square. Frequently such an arrangement is impossible; nevertheless, long and narrow rectangles should be avoided. The size of squares that may be used with direct lighting is given in Table 7.[1]

TABLE 7.—DESIRABLE SIZES OF SQUARES—DIRECT LIGHTING

Kind of room	Ceiling height (feet)	Desirable length of side of square (feet)
Armories, auditoriums, churches, public halls, restaurants, etc.	12–16	12–16
	Over 16	15–26
Stores	8–11	8–11
	11–15	10–16
	Over 15	14–22
Offices, libraries, school rooms, drafting rooms, etc.: With additional desk lamps	10–20	12–18
Without additional desk lamps	9–12	7–11
	12–16	9–14
	Over 16	11–18

Note.—It is desirable not to use the largest size square with the smallest ceiling height given.

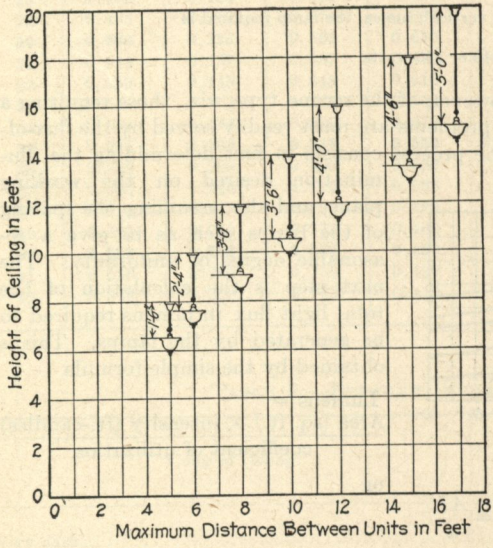


FIG. 15.

The most satisfactory spacing of outlets for indirect and semi-indirect lighting depends largely upon the ceiling height. The distance between outlets should not be greater than approximately 1⅔ times the height of the ceiling above the working plane. The exact distance in any case will be determined by local conditions. In drafting rooms and offices where close work is performed, the spacing should be less. Fig. 15[1] shows the best spacings that are required together with the best drop from the ceiling. Fig. 16[1] shows the widest spacings permissible.

Illustrative Problem.—It is desired to design a lighting system for a large office room, 50 × 100 ft. and 15 ft. high. The ceilings are white or very light, and the walls greenish gray, medium.

Assuming no local lighting, the system should be designed to avoid glare, hence, due to the size of the room an indirect system is selected. By Table 4, the illumination intensity for large offices ranges from 4 to 8 foot-candles. Assume 6 foot-candles.

$$\text{Ratio of room width to ceiling height} = \frac{50}{20} = 2.5, \text{ use } 3$$

Then by Table 1 for mirrored glass reflector and for medium walls, the coefficient of utilization is 0.33

$$\text{Total lumens} = \frac{(50)\ (100)\ (6)}{0.33} = 91{,}000 \text{ nearly}$$

[1] General Electric Handbook.

Allowing 25% for the dimming effect of dust and depreciation of lamps, the total lumens necessary is 120,000.

According to chart Fig. 15, the spacing for a 20-ft. ceiling is 17 ft. If architectural features permit, the lamps may be located as indicated in Fig. 17. If columns or other features interfere, adjustments must be made. This will necessitate 18 outlets. The lumens per outlet are

$$\text{Lumens per outlet} = \frac{120{,}000}{18} = 6679$$

Reference to Table 3 shows that a 400-watt Mazda type C lamp generates 6150 lumens and a 500-watt lamp of the same type generates 8050 lumens. If the reflectors and ceilings are kept clean, the 400-watt lamp may be used. If the office is in a location where dust and soot rapidly accumulate, the 500-watt lamp should be used.

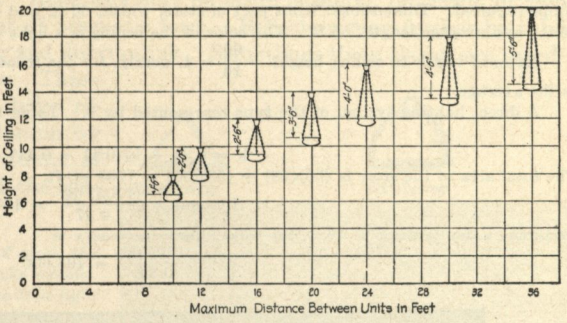


FIG. 16.

Illustrative Problem.—It may be of interest to note the influence of the height of the room. Suppose all conditions the same as in the preceding illustrative problem but the ceilings only 15 ft. high. How many outlets and what size of lamp will give satisfactory results?

Use indirect system as before. Use 6 foot-candles for illumination intensity.

$$\text{Ratio of room width to ceiling height} = \frac{50}{15} = 3\tfrac{1}{3}, \text{ use } 3$$

Reference to Table 1 for mirrored reflector shows the coefficient of utilization equal to 0.33 for a room 50 ft. square. Ratio of width to ceiling height for a room 100 ft. square is $\frac{100}{15} = 6\tfrac{2}{3}$, use 5. Coefficient of utilization for this ratio is 0.39. The coefficient of utilization for a room 50 × 100 ft. is then

$$0.33 + \tfrac{1}{3}(0.39 + 0.33) = 0.35$$

$$\text{Total lumens} = \frac{(50)\ (100)\ (6)}{0.35} = 86{,}000, \text{ nearly}$$

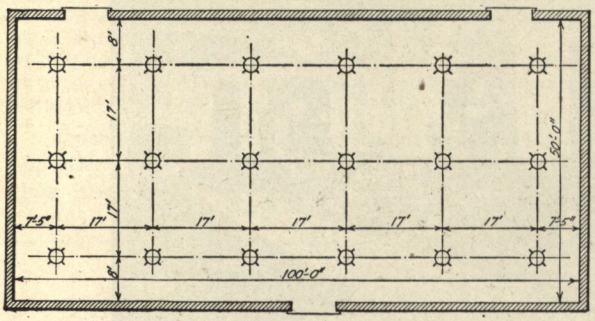


FIG. 17.

Assuming as before 25% for depreciation due to dust and falling off in lamp output, the total number of lumens necessary is 114,500.

The spacing according to Fig. 15 should be 11 ft. Considerations of symmetry necessitate a modification of this spacing. The outside rows of lamps may be placed 5.5 ft. from the walls, and the two end rows, 6 ft. from the walls. Across the room the lamps may be spaced 13 ft. and lengthwise, 11 ft. There will then be 4 rows, 9 outlets per row, or 36 outlets in all.

Since 114,500 lumens are required, lumens per outlet equals

$$\frac{114{,}500}{36} = 3180$$

Reference to Table 3 shows that 200-watt type C lamps give 2920 lumens, hence they would undoubtedly prove satisfactory.

Illustrative Problem.—Assume a small drygoods store 25 × 50 ft., and 12 ft. high. Ceiling is white, walls dark. How many and what size lamps should be used?

Referring to Table 4, the illumination intensity is found to be 4 to 7 foot-candles. Assume 5 for moderate lighting and assume a semi-indirect lighting system.

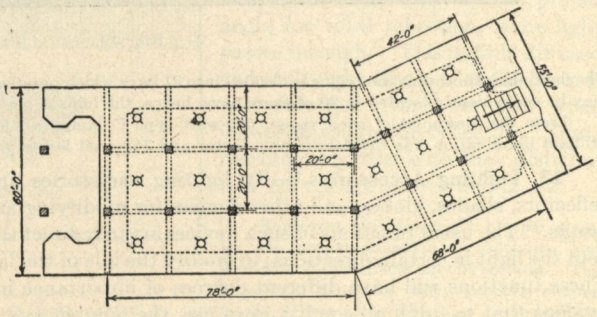


FIG. 18.—Electric illumination.

$$\text{Ratio of width of room to ceiling height} = \frac{25}{12} = 2 \text{ for a 25-ft. square room and } \frac{50}{12} = 4 \text{ for a 100-ft. square room; use 5 in the latter case.}$$

The coefficient of utilization for a light opal reflector, light ceiling and dark walls is

$$0.32 + \tfrac{1}{3}(0.44 - 0.32) = 0.36$$

$$\text{Lumens required} = \frac{(25)\ (50)\ (5)}{0.36} = 17{,}400$$

Assuming a depreciation of 25% the lamps will have to generate 23,250 lumens. Table 7 shows that a spacing of 12 ft. is approximately correct. This will necessitate two rows of 5 lamps each, or 10 lamps in all. The number of lumens per outlet is 23,250 ÷ 10 = 2325, and 150 type C Mazda lamps will undoubtedly prove satisfactory.

Illustrative Problem.—A large clothing store, Fig. 18,[1] is to be lighted. Calculate the number and size of lamps required. Dimensions: front part of store, width, 60 ft. and length, 78 ft. rear portion of the store, width, 55 ft., and average length, 55 ft. The color of the ceiling is a light cream and of the walls, dark.

Ratio of width to ceiling height $= \frac{60}{16} = 4$, nearly, for the front part and $\frac{55}{16} = 3+$ for the rear. Assume 3 as the average.

A direct lighting system of the type represented by 9, Table 1 was selected. The coefficient of utilization is

$$k = 0.34 + \tfrac{1}{3}(0.41 - 0.34) = 0.37$$

The total area of the store is $(60)(78) + (55)(55) = 7705$ sq. ft.

$$\text{Lumens} = \frac{(7705)\,(8)}{0.37} = 167{,}000$$

Assuming a depreciation of 16%, the total lumens necessary is

$$\frac{167{,}000}{0.84} = 198{,}600$$



FIG. 19.

The floor plans show that the ceiling is divided into 21 bays which practically fix the location of the outlets. Lamps may be conveniently located in 20 of these bays, hence, the lumens per lamp are 198,600 ÷ 20 = 9930.

From the viewpoint of good vision, 500-watt type C lamps would furnish enough light. In this instance, brilliant illumination was the determining factor and 750-watt lamps were used. Fig. 19 shows the installation.

13. Lighting Accessories.[2]—By lighting accessories are meant the equipment, such as reflectors, shades, globes, and other devices for modifying and controlling the light emitted by lamps. The usual functions of such devices are to redirect the light; to diffuse the light; to intercept the light in certain directions; to modify the hue of the light; and to protect the light source. These functions will have different degrees of importance in different installations, hence it is evident that to fulfill all conditions of use, the number and variety of designs of lighting accessories is very great. Although there is no exact line of demarkation between the light controlling accessories, nevertheless, they may be considered under three separate headings: reflectors, shades, and globes.

[1] Bul., Fundamentals of Illumination Design, Eng. Dept. National Lamp Works of Gen. Elec. Co.

[2] Little, Illuminating Engineering Practice, p. 183.

13a. Reflectors.—All accessories reflect more or less light, but the term reflector is applied to that class of lighting accessories whose function it is to redirect the greater percentage of the light incident upon it. Reflectors may be made of metal, procelain, or glass; with polished or mirrored surfaces, or of prismatic form. Reflectors may further be subdivided into two classes—concentrating and distributing. Sometimes three classes are listed—focusing, intensive, and extensive. These names are self-explanatory as they have reference to the degree of light distribution by the reflector. Fig. 20 shows two forms of aluminum finished metal reflectors of the concentrating and distributing types.

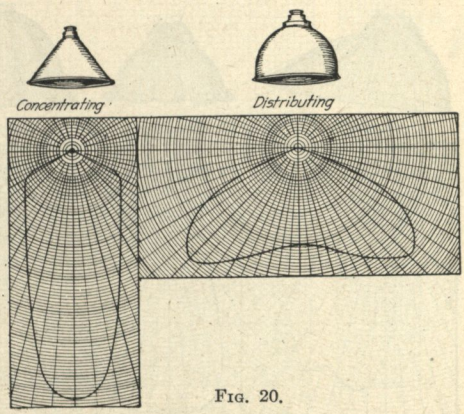


FIG. 20.

Porcelain enameled reflectors are made of steel, the reflecting surface being coated with porcelain enamel. This enamel coating should be dense so that as little light as possible penetrates to the steel, for all light that penetrates to the steel is absorbed. For industrial lighting, several manufacturers have placed on the market a porcelain enameled reflector designated as the R. L. M. Standard. The specifications for this type of reflector have been worked out jointly and this label is a guarantee that the reflector is up to the accepted standard in size, finish, screening angle, and finish of the reflecting surface.

Mirrored glass reflectors are made of clear glass blown in the proper shape, on the reflecting surface of which is spread a thin layer of silver. This layer is then protected by a thin coating of enamel. To prevent the formation of brilliant images of the lamp filament or striations on the illuminated surface, the reflector surface is corrugated (Fig. 21).

Prismatic Reflectors.—If a ray of light in passing through glass is incident on the surface opposite to that at which it entered at an angle greater than the critical angle for that kind of glass, it will be totally reflected. This is the principle of the prismatic reflector. The inner surface is usually smooth or lightly ground while the outer surface is formed into prisms. These prisms are made of such an angle that most of the incident light is reflected. Since it is mechanically impossible to construct a prismatic glass reflector so that all of the light emitted by the lamp will be incident at the proper angle for total reflection, some light passes through. This light is diffused and the bright filament of the lamp is well screened from the eye when viewed through the reflector These reflectors together with their distribution curves are shown in Fig. 22

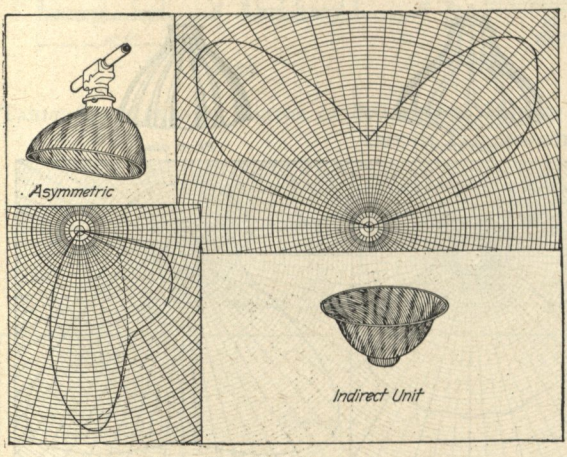


FIG. 21.

Reflectors are also made of opal glass. By the proper selection of thickness and densities, varied effects may be secured. The dense opal accessory when properly shaped may produce an excellent reflector so far as light control is concerned. These accessories may be made thin and thus transmit considerable light, or thick and transmit comparatively little. The diffusing properties are rather good especially where the surfaces are somewhat roughened. The characteristic candle power curves for bowl reflectors of opal glass are shown in Fig. 23.

13b. Globes and Shades.—Globes and shades are suitable only for shading and diffusing the light. They are made in a great variety of forms and designs and are usually made of some kind of glass, opal, cased, roughed and etched crystal and alabaster.

14. Choice of Accessory.—The type and size of lamp used in any installation determines the type of reflector required because of the different efficiencies and distribution curves. The type of reflector to be used cannot be determined on the energy efficiency basis alone; other factors, such as ease of maintenance and absence of characteristics producing eye strain, must also be considered. A shallow bowl reflector should not be used with the long or mogul base lamps. In no case should the tip of the lamp project beyond the reflector.

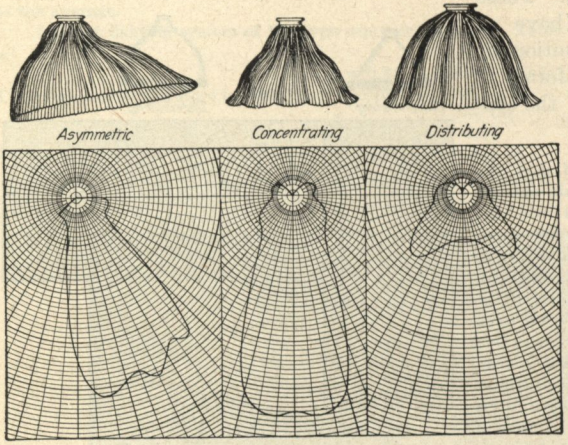


Fig 22.

15. Lighting of Offices.—The general principles of illumination design described in the preceding sections apply in office lighting but the relative importance of the several factors is not the same. The matter-of first importance in office lighting are sufficient and uniform illuminas tion, absence of glare, and efficient utilization of light. The artistic factors should be considered, but the hygienic factor should take precedence.

15*a*. Location and Number of Lighting Units.[1]—In many cases, the constructional features of the ceiling of the office will determine the number and location of lighting units. In the case of offices built to rent, the lamp outlets should be located in such a way that if the offices are re modeled to suit the requirements of a new tenant, they may still be usable. This consideration in many cases will necessitate a greater number of outlets than the existing lighting conditions require. Fig. 24 shows how an office with 6 lighting units may be divided into two offices and each be provided with adequate outlets. Sometimes it may be desirable to wire locations where it is thought units may at some future time be desirable, but to seal the wires beneath the plaster until required.

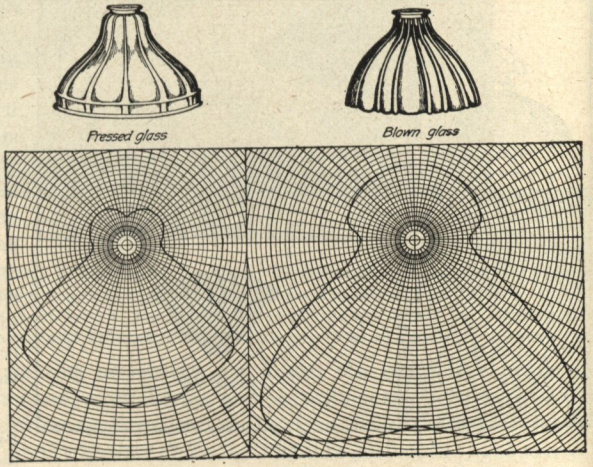


Fig. 23.

One of the most important considerations in office lighting is the elimination of glare. From a study of the light distribution of units, fairly definite rules have been formulated for the size of units and their spacing both with reference to each other and with reference to the walls. The application of such rules involves the width and length of the room to be lighted, the height of the ceiling, and the height at which the sources can be located above the working plane. In the case of indirect or semi-indirect lighting, the height of the light source above the working plane is the height of the ceiling above the desk and table tops. The distance between the lamp and

[1] Lighting of Offices and Drafting Rooms, Engineering Department National Lamp Works of General Electric Co.

ceiling in case of indirect and semi-indirect lighting is determined largely by considerations of appearance; nevertheless there are certain limits which may be noted. The lamps should not be placed so near the ceilings that the corners appear objectionably dark, nor should the lamps be hung so low that light is directed to the walls. Between these limits variations in hanging height affect the efficiency of the installation very slightly. The recommended ratios of spacing to height of light source for satisfactory office illumination are given in Table 8. The significance of the several symbols is exemplified by the diagram below the table. The principles of Table 8, are perhaps more readily applied by the aid of diagrams, Fig. 25, whose application will be readily understood from the following illustrative problem.

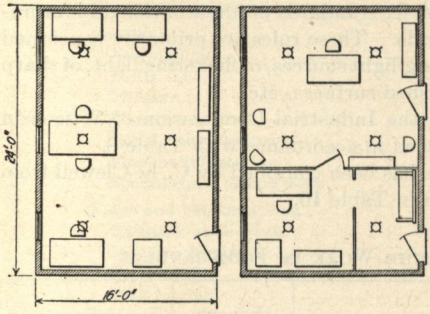


Fig. 24.

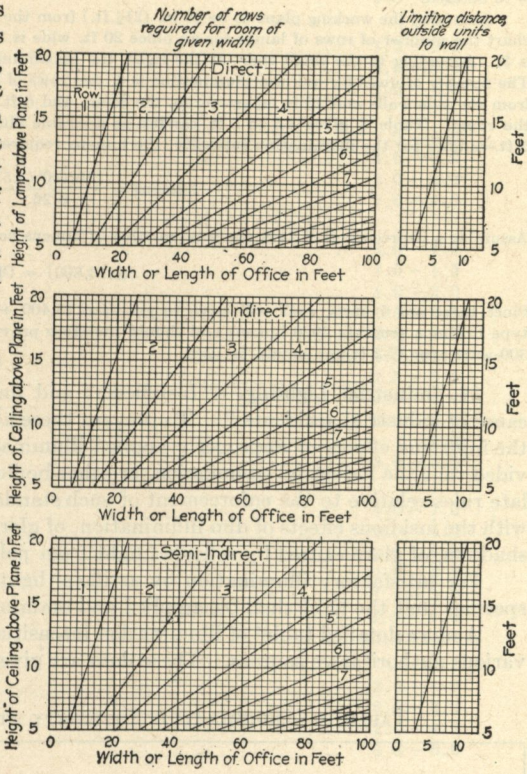
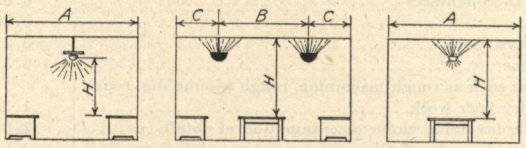


Fig. 25.

Table 8.—Maximum Ratios of Spacing to Height of Light Source for Satisfactory Office Illumination



System	Limits for one row of units	Limits for more than one row of units	
	$\frac{A}{H}$	$\frac{B}{H}$	$\frac{C}{H}$
Indirect	1.3	1.5	0.6
Dense semi-indirect*	1.2	1.5	0.6
Direct semi-enclosing	1.1	1.4	0.5
Direct dense opal	1.1	1.4	0.5

* With indirect or semi-indirect the ceiling is considered the light source.

Illustrative Problem.—It is necessary to design a lighting system for an office 20 × 40 ft. with 15-ft. ceiling The ceiling is light but the walls are of moderate reflecting power, medium color. A totally indirect lighting system is to be used.

Assuming the working plane to be 30 in. (2½ ft.) from the floor, $H = 15 - 2\frac{1}{2} = 12\frac{1}{2}$ ft. According to the chart the number of rows of lamps for an office 20 ft. wide is 2, and for an office 40 ft. wide, the number of rows is 3. According to the small chart at the right, the maximum distance the units should be from the wall is 7 ft. The number of units for uniform illumination is 6, two rows of three lamps each. The lamps may be located 5 ft. from the side walls and 10 ft. apart across the room, and 6 ft. from the end walls and 14 ft. apart lengthwise of the room. Table 4 gives 3.5 to 5 ft.-candles as desirable illumination intensity for a general office. Assuming 5 ft.-candles for the illumination intensity, the lumens required are

$$\text{Lumens} = \frac{(20)(40)(4.5)}{0.26} = 13{,}800$$

Assuming a depreciation of 25% the total number of lumens necessary is

$$\tfrac{4}{3}(13{,}800) = 18{,}400$$

Since there are 6 units, each will have to generate 18,400 ÷ 6 = 3100 lumens, approximately. The 200-watt type C lamps generate 2920 lumens and should therefore prove satisfactory. If daylight illumination is desired, 300-watt type C-2 lamps should be used.

16. Industrial Lighting.—"Insufficient and improperly applied illumination is a prolific cause of industrial accidents."[1] To prevent these accidents as well as to protect the eyes from the injurious effects of improperly applied illumination, many states have by legislation provided that the industrial commission, or other bodies, fix standards of illumination and formulate rules relative to the enforcement of such standards. These rules are primarily concerned with the insidious effects of dim illumination, of glaring light sources, of flickering light, of sharp shadows, of glare caused by reflected light from polished surfaces, etc.

For satisfactory illumination by artificial light, the Industrial Commission of Wisconsin specifies that the light shall be supplied and maintained in accordance with Table 9.

A more detailed table[2] of illumination intensities has been compiled by C. E. Clewell from various authoritative sources. These data are given in Table 10.

TABLE 9.—ILLUMINATION INTENSITY AT THE WORK IN FOOT-CANDLES

	Minimum permissible intensity	Ordinary practice
(*a*) Roadways and yard thoroughfares	0.02	0.05 to 0.25
(*b*) Storage spaces	0.25	0.5 to 1.0
(*c*) Stairways, passageways, aisles	0.25	0.75 to 2.0
(*d*) Toilets and washrooms	0.5	1.5 to 3.0
(*e*) Rough manufacturing such as rough machining, rough assembling, rough bench work, foundry floor work	1.25	2.0 to 4.0
(*f*) Rough manufacturing involving closer discrimination of detail	2.0	3.0 to 6.0
(*g*) Fine manufacturing such as fine lathe work, pattern and tool making, light colored textiles	3.0	4.0 to 8.0
(*h*) Special cases of fine work, such as watch making, engraving, drafting, dark colored textiles	5.0	10.0 to 15.0
(*i*) Office work such as accounting, typewriting, etc	3.0	4.0 to 8.0

NOTE.—The minimum foot-candles specify the lowest illumination intensity with which the employes can be expected to work with safety when artificial light is used. It is to the advantage of the employer to provide the intensities of ordinary practice, as this results in less eye strain, greater accuracy of workmanship, increased production for the same labor cost, less spoilage. When part daylight and part artificial illumination must be used together, it is desirable to employ even higher intensities than those of ordinary practice in the table above.

In order that the illumination intensities will never fall below the minimum during the interval between inspections, installations should be designed to produce initial values at least 25% higher.

[1] Industrial Commission of Wisconsin.

[2] C. E. Clewell, Lighting of Factories, p. 530, Illuminating Engineering Practice.

TABLE 10.—INTENSITIES OF ILLUMINATION RECOMMENDED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES OF WORK

	Foot-candles
Bakery	2.0 – 3.0
Bench work:	
Rough	1.5 – 5.0
Fine	3.5 –10.0
Box factory	2.0 – 4.0
Book binding:	
Cutting, punching, stitching	3.0 – 5.0
Embossing	4.0 – 6.0
Folding, assembling, pasting	2.0 – 4.0
Candy factory	2.0 – 4.0
Canning plants:	
Coffee roasting at tables	3.0 – 4.0
Filling tables	1.0 – 1.5
Packing tables	1.0 – 2.0
Packing tables (dried fruits)	1.5 – 2.5
Preserving cauldrons	2.0 – 2.5
Pressing tables	1.0 – 1.5
Shipping room	1.5 – 2.5
Cotton mill weaving	2.0 – 4.0
Dairy or milk depot	2.0 – 4.0
Drafting room	7.0
Electrotyping	3.0 – 6.0
Factory:	
Assembling	4.0 – 7.0
Drills	2.0 – 4.0
Millers	3.0 – 6.0
Planers	3.0 – 5.0
Rough manufacturing	1.25– 3.0
Fine manufacturing	3.5 – 6.0
Special cases of fine work	10.0 –15.0
Forge and blacksmithing:	
Ordinary anvil work	2.0 – 4.0
Machine forging	2.0 – 3.0
Tempering	2.0 – 4.0
Tool forging	3.0 – 5.0
Foundry:	
Bench moulding	1.0 – 3.0
Floor moulding	1.0 – 2.0
Garment industry:	
Light goods	3.0
Dark goods	7.0
Glove factory:	
Cutting	5.0 – 6.0
Sorting	6.0 –10.0
Hat factory:	
Blocking	4.0 – 6.0
Forming	3.0 – 5.0
Stiffening	2.0 – 4.0
Jewelry manufacturing	3.0 – 8.0
Knitting mill	3.0 – 6.0
Laundry	3.0 – 5.0
Leather working:	
Cutting	4.0 – 6.0
Grading	6.0 – 8.0
Meat packing:	
Cleaning	2.0 – 3.0
Packing	2.0 – 4.0
Offices	3.0
Packing and shipping:	
Ordinary work	2.0 – 3.0
Fine work	2.0 – 5.0

Paint shop:	
Coarse work (first coats)	2.0 – 4.0
Fine work (finishing)	4.0 – 8.0
Passageways	0.25– 0.5
Pattern shop (metal)	4.0 – 6.0
Pottery:	
Grinding	1.0 – 2.0
Pressing	2.0 – 4.0
Power house:	
Boiler room	0.8 – 1.5
Engine room	2.0 – 3.5
Preserving plant:	
Cleaning	2.0 – 4.0
Cooking	2.0 – 3.0
Printing:	
Presses	3.0 – 5.0
Type-setters	6.0 – 8.0
Sheet metal shop:	
Assembling	2.0 – 4.0
Punching	3.0 – 6.0
Shoe shops:	
Bench work	2.0 – 5.0
Cutting	5.0 – 7.0
Silk mill:	
Finishing	3.0 – 5.0
Weaving	4.0 – 6.0
Winding forms	2.0 – 4.0
Stairways	0.25– 0.5
Steel work:	
Blast furnace (cast house)	0.3 – 0.5
Loading yards (inspection)	0.3 – 0.5
Mould, skull cracker and ore yards	0.1 – 0.3
Open hearth floors (soaking pits and cast house)	0.1 – 0.3
Rolling mills	1.0 – 2.0
Stamping and punching sheet metal	2.0 – 5.0
Stock room	0.8 – 2.0
Threading floor of pipe mills	1.0 – 2.0
Transfer and storage bays	0.5 – 1.0
Unloading yards	0.1 – 0.3
Warehouse	0.5 – 1.0
Stock rooms:	
Rough materials	1.0 – 3.0
Fine materials	2.0 – 4.0
Storage	0.25– 0.5
Wire drawing:	
Coarse	2.0 – 4.0
Fence machines	2.0 – 5.0
Fine	4.0 – 8.0
Wood working:	
Rough	2.0 – 4.0
Fine	3.0 – 5.0
Woolen mill:	
Picking table	2.0 – 4.0
Twisting	2.0 – 3.0
Warping	3.0 – 5.0
Weaving	4.0 – 0.6

16*a*. Height of Lamps.[1]—The rules for mounting height given in preceding sections also apply in industrial lighting. It may, however, be stated that for direct lighting, the lamps should be mounted as high as possible. The chief exceptions to this rule are those cases where the ceiling is very high relative to one dimension of the floor and where beams, belting, or the like obstruct the light at some distance below the ceiling.

[1] Industrial Lighting Code—Industrial Commission of Wisconsin.

There are two chief advantages of mounting lamps as high as possible: (1) wider spacing of lamps with equally good distribution of light; and (2) the lamps are less likely to come within the direct range of vision, and hence are less likely to be a source of eye fatigue and eye strain to the worker.

16b. Spacing and Size of Lamps.—To facilitate the design of lighting systems, the chart (Fig. 26) was prepared by Arthur J. Sweet, and is included in the Wisconsin Industrial Lighting Code. The left-hand portion of the chart is for determining the spacing of the lighting units and the right-hand portion for determining the size of lamps. The illumination plane on which the curves are based is assumed to be 3 ft. above the floor but the data are sufficiently accurate for a working plane 2½ ft. above the floor. In using the chart the first step is to assume the mounting height of the light source above the working plane. Assume this to be 12⅓ ft. for a particular case. Referring to the left portion of the chart, the fine vertical line corresponding to 12⅓ ft. is followed to its intersection with the horizontal lines. Following the horizontal

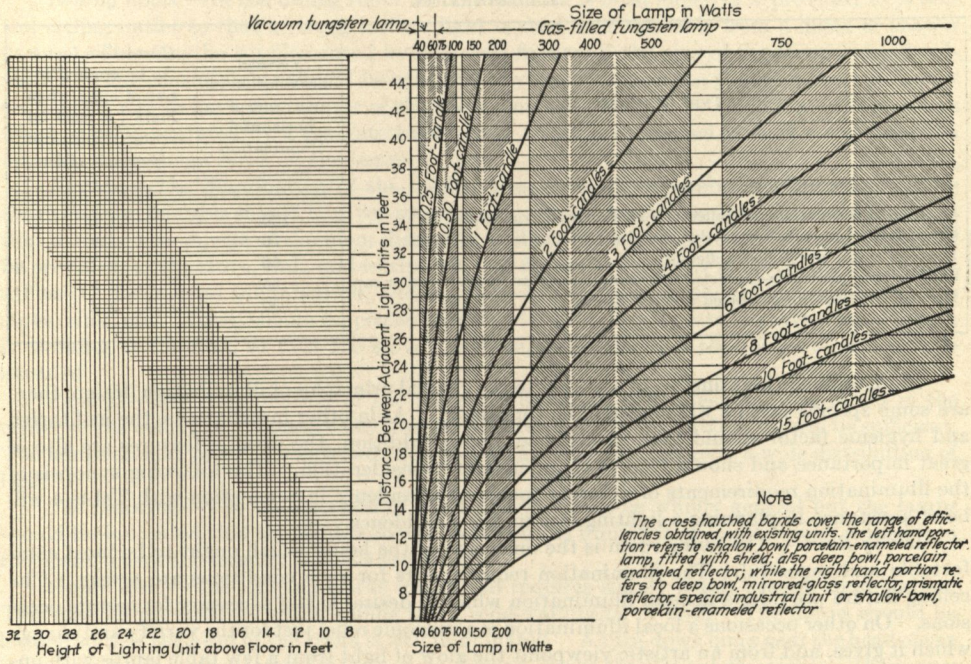


FIG. 26.

lines from the points of intersection to the vertical or spacing scale, it is found that the minimum spacing is 11 ft. and the maximum spacing is 17⅓ ft. The best spacing will be the minimum of these values, namely, 11 ft. The exact spacing to be used in any case will depend upon the architectural features of the interior and the character of the work. If the work is of an exacting or close character, the spacing should approximate the lower limit. If the work is not of an exacting nature a wider spacing may be employed. If the factory building has bays 22 × 26 ft., the spacing should be 11 ft. in one direction and 13 ft. in the other direction, the average spacing being 12 ft. If the illumination intensity required is 4.00 foot-candles, then referring to the right-hand portion of the chart, the horizontal line corresponding to a spacing of 12 ft. is followed to its intersection with the curve representing 4.00 foot-candles. It is found that this occurs in the band representing the 100-watt lamp. This means that if the more efficient types of reflector be employed, the 100-watt lamp on an 11 × 13-ft. spacing will produce an average illumination slightly greater than 4.00 foot-candles. If, however, the less efficient types of reflector be employed, the 100-watt lamp will produce an illumination not quite as

great as 4.00 foot-candles. If it is desired to secure an illumination of not less than 4.00 foot-candles, the 100-watt lamp may be employed with one of the more efficient types of reflector or the 150-watt lamp with one of the less efficient types. The charts allow a depreciation of 30% due to dirt on reflector and lamp and deterioration of lamp filament.

The chart is for horizontal illumination only. If the work be chiefly in the horizontal plane, the charts may be used directly to determine the proper size of lamp with reasonable accuracy. If, however, the work be chiefly in some vertical plane, the problem becomes more complicated and can be solved only with rough approximation by any general data. The ratio between the horizontal and vertical illumination depends chiefly upon two factors: position of lamp with reference to the work, and type of reflector used. The first of these factors so depends upon local conditions that no data of value can be given thereon. As for the second factor, the approximate ratio between the vertical and horizontal illuminations is given for various types of reflectors in Table 11.

TABLE 11.—APPROXIMATE RATIO BETWEEN THE VERTICAL AND THE HORIZONTAL ILLUMINATION

Type of reflector	Vertical illumination in per cent of horizontal illumination	Correction factor to be applied to size of lamp when Plate I is used for vertical illumination determination
Deep-bowl prismatic-glass reflector—special industrial unit	100	1.0
Shallow-bowl porcelain-enameled metal reflector	70	1.4
Deep-bowl mirrowed-glass reflector	60	1.7
Shallow-bowl porcelain-enameled reflector—lamp fitted with shield or cap	55	1.8
Deep-bowl porcelain-enameled metal reflector	50	2.0

17. Residence Lighting.[1]—In addition to the general principles of illumination design, there are some specific factors which should be considered. As in other installations, the utilitarian and hygienic factor should take precedence, but in addition, the artistic features are also of great importance and should receive commensurate consideration. The following synopsis of the illumination requirements of different rooms of a residence in connection with Table 4 will be of assistance in planning a lighting system for a residence.

Living Room.—The living room is the one room of the house which ought to be most comfortable and reposeful. The illumination requirements for such conditions are severe. The ceiling fixture provides a general illumination which is desirable and necessary for certain occasions. On other occasions a local illumination is a welcome relief just for the variety and change which it gives, and from an artistic viewpoint the glow of light from a few table lamps with uncertain grades of light and shadow intervening, entirely changes the expression of a room making it more livable and desirable, and it is here that the lamp itself as an artistic symbol becomes a part and feature of a home. To make possible this variety in illumination there should be several side-wall outlets, one or more ceiling outlets, and two or more baseboard receptacles to provide connections for electroliers, piano lamps, or other devices. The ceiling and side-wall lights can be most convienently controlled by side wall switches placed beside the door through which entry is most often made.

Lower Hall.—The illumination requirements of halls are not so severe. The fixtures should, however, be in harmony with the other features of the hall and should possess some artistic merit. The outlets should be located so that all parts of the hall may be properly illuminated. Both the porch light and the hall light should be controlled by switches near the front door. The lights of both lower and upper halls should be controlled by three-way switches in order that the lower hall may be illuminated from the head of the stairs and the upper hall may be illuminated from the foot of the stairs. The stairway should in every case be well illuminated.

[1] The Electrical Equipment of a Home issued by National Electrical Contractors Association, National Electric Lamp Association, National Electric Light Association.

Porch.—A porch light should be installed just outside the entrance door so that it will illuminate the steps and the features of the caller without dazzling the eyes of one standing within. Other lights should be provided when the porch is of such size that good illumination cannot be provided from one outlet.

Reception Room.—The first impressions of a house are made by the reception room. Here the artistic features should be especially emphasized. The illumination as well as the location of the lighting units must depend upon the character of the room itself. A ceiling outlet should be provided for general illlumination and in addition baseboard receptacles for the connection of a decorative electrolier.

Library.—The general illumination of the library should be by soft light of harmonious tone. Baseboard receptacles should be provided at several sides of the room to permit of the use of portable reading lamps.

Dining Room.—In the dining room the illumination is most effective if provided by a central ceiling outlet so that a strong mellow light is shed over the table from a dome or shower fixture. This may be supplemented by side-wall fixtures if the size of the room makes it advisable. The central lights should be controlled by a switch near the pantry door. It is very convenient also to have the interior of the china closet illuminated by small low-voltage lamps which may be operated by a separate trasnformer which is connected in such a way that the opening of the doors turns on the lamps.

Kitchen.—The illumination of the kitchen should be given careful consideration. Here the utilitarian features should be given precedence. There should be sufficient general illumination to make the objects of the room distinctly visible. In addition, local illumination should be provided for the stove, sink, and work table. A fixture in the center of the ceiling will usually suffice for the general illlumination, and auxillary side-wall outlets should be provided for the stove, sink, etc. These should be placed so as not to shine directly into the eyes when a person is working at the sink, or over the stove; likewise, reflection from the dishes should also be avoided.

Pantry.—Good illumination of the pantry is essential, and in general, one outlet in the center of the ceiling or symmetrically located with reference to the cupboards, will be sufficient. The lamps should be placed high and equipped with a reflector that gives a wide distribution of light.

The Laundry.—The illumination of the laundry should be wholly general but the lamps should be so located that the light is concentrated on the ironing board and enough is shed into the closet where the laundry utensils are stored.

Upper Hall.—The lighting of the upper hall requires simply a soft general illumination. This may be provided by either ceiling units, side-wall units, or both. The lamps should be located so that the head of the stairs is well illuminated. A turn down lamp near the head of the stairs is a great convenience for it may be burned dimly throughout the night. Three-way switches at the head of the stairs and near bedroom doors should be provided for controlling the upper hall lights; another three-way switch at the head of the stairs should be provided for operating the lamps in the lower hall.

Bedroom.—If the room is large, a central ceiling fixture should be installed for general illumination and bracket wall outlets should be provided for illuminating the dressing table, chiffonier, writing desk, and at the head of the bed. If it is inconvenient or too expensive to provide enough side-wall fixtures to insure perfect illumination, baseboard receptacles should be so placed that portable lamps may be used where necessary. In some cases, the switches for controlling the lamps on the lower floor are installed inside the entrance door of the master's bedroom. This lighting switch is a most effective protection against burglars and is especially desirable in suburban houses.

Bathroom.—The lighting of the bathroom should insure a strong light on the face from both sides of the mirror for convenience in shaving. This will necessitate two lamps which may be sufficient general illumination. An additional ceiling light may be installed, however. This should be controlled by a switch near the door. Care should be taken so that the bath tub is not between the light sources and the window.

Sewing Room.—The sewing room can best be served by side-wall brackets so placed that they direct the light on the sewing machine and table. Glare should be avoided as well as specular reflection from the polished parts of the machine. The location of the lamps should be determined by the location of the sewing machine, windows, and other features.

Nursery.—The illumination of the nursery should be mainly general and uniform although some provision should be made at one or two convenient places for reading. The general tone of the illumination should be cheerful. These requirements can be fulfilled by a central ceiling fixture and one or more wall units.

Large Closets.—Large closets should be provided with a lamp directly over the door in a horizontal position or up against the ceiling. It should never be placed in a position such that inflammable material may be placed against it. This lamp may conveniently be controlled by a door switch. It is always advisable, however, to equip the lamp with a pull chain socket in order that the lamp may be turned off in case the door is to be kept open any length of time.

Attic.—The shape, size, and use of the attic will determine the number and location of lamps. Only general illumination of low intensity will usually be required. The lamps should be controlled by a switch near the foot of the attic stairs.

Cellar.—The cellar should be provided with sufficient light to make it bright and safe in every part. The greatest necessity, however, is proper illumination on the cellar stairs, before the furnace, in the fruit room, and at the ice box if it is located in the basement. The cellar lights should all be controlled by a switch at the head of the cellar stairs.

18. Natural or Daylight Illumination.—In making provision for daylight illumination, the engineer or architect has no control of the light source and furthermore, he must adopt the building to the surroundings. The brightness of the sky varies from month to month and from hour to hour on normal days by several hundred per cent, while on many days it will vary by 50 to 100% in the course of a few minutes. Such conditions make the design of a natural lighting system difficult. Were it not for the fact that the eye has been developed to suit daylight the problem would be much more intricate. The main elements of the problems of daylight illumination may be briefly stated as follows:[1]

1. The determination of the minimum intensity of natural illumination below which artificial illumination becomes preferable.
2. The determination of the minimum ratio of the inside illumination to sky brightness which will produce the minimum illumination desired.
3. The minimum angle which a line from the top of a window makes with the horizontal at a given point in the room, or the relation between the light of the window head and depth of the room for reasonably good lighting.
4. The width and distribution of window glass essential for proper illumination at a given point in the room.

Many attempts have been made to specify the details of the elements of the problem mentioned in the foregoing; the different rules advocated, however, seldom agree with each other. The essentials of good natural illumination specified by different authorities are nevertheless of value for they may serve as criteria for judging the adequacy of a lighting system rather than as definite specifications in their design.

18*a*. Minimum Illumination.—This requirement varies widely for different purposes and also for different persons. The human eyes through ages of the influence of sunlight have developed an adjustability to an extremely wide range of natural illumination intensities. A thousand foot-candles of daylight illumination are less trying to the eye than 10 foot-candles of artificial illumination. In general, it may be said that daylight illumination intensities should be from 2 to 3 times those recommended for artificial lighting for the same class of service. Photometric data are needed, however, before definite specifications can be formulated. An indication of good practice is shown by Table 12[2] which gives the average daylight illumination intensities in representative manufacturing plants. Each value given is the mean of a number of observations made on both clear and cloudy days.

[1] P. J. Waldram, The Illuminating Engineer, vol. 7, p. 23.
[2] Ward Harrison, Trans. Ill. Eng. Soc., vol. 12, p. 419.

TABLE 12.—WORKING INTENSITIES OF DAYLIGHT ILLUMINATION IN FOOT-CANDLES

Factory products	Grade of work		
	A	*B*	*C*
Engine lathes { Horizontal	10	7	3
Engine lathes { Vertical, Min.-Max.	6–15	2–15	0.5–9
Automatic engine lathes	14	12	10
	2–30	2–30	1–15
Machined forgings		6	5
		2–15	1–10
Special machinery	10	7	
	4–20	3–15	
Lamps	10	9	
	5–16	11–15	
Vacuum cleaners	17	11	
	7–25	3–20	
Automobiles	5	5	5
	2–11	2– 8	3–11
Automobiles*	10	3	5
	6–12	1– 3	4– 5
Storage batteries		5	3
		1–6	0.5– 5
Machine tools and patterns	6	9	
	2–16	3–35	
Sheet iron equipment	10	5	8
	1–20	1–12	2–15
Machine gears	7	8	5
	3–16	5–18	1–15
Hardware	10	10	4
	1–20	1–20	0.5–12
Printing machinery		5	3
		1–15	0.5– 5
Sewing machines		4	2
		1–8	2–5
Cloth bags		5	7
		3–10	3–10
Clothing	10	4	
	10–20	7–15	
Furniture	5	5	
	3–20	0.5–12	
Average	10	7	5
	4–18	3–15	1.5–10

*Saw tooth roof.

18*b*. Minimum Ratio of Inside to Outside Illumination.[1]—In offices and domestic apartments the requirements of ordinary comforts will not be infringed at any point where it is possible to read ordinary print at sunrise and sunset on a clear winter day. This gives an illumination of about 0.1% of the zenith sky, 0.2% of the average of the full hemisphere, and 0.4% of the illumination of a white card on the window-sill with an unobstructed horizon.

For schools, the desirable minimum is in the neighborhood of 2½ times as much as in offices. This means that the darkest desk should receive a minimum illumination equal to 0.25% of the zenith, 0.5% of the roof light, or 1.0% of the window-sill illumination with a free horizon.

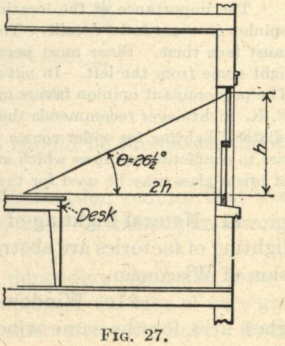


FIG. 27.

[1] P. J. Waldram, Illuminating Engineer, vol. 7, p. 24.

19. Relative Value of Window Space in Different Positions.[1]—The data at present available give indications that the light entering a vertical window will not be effective in illuminating a table or desk at a greater distance from the window than twice the height of the top of the glass from the table or desk height (Fig. 27). This means that light entering at window is effective within the space lying below a plane which makes an angle of 26½ deg. with the horizontal. For schools, an angle of 30 deg. appears preferable. If the table is assumed to be 3 ft. above the floor, the relation between the window height and depth of room is shown in following table:

Height of top of glass above floor (feet)	Depth of room lighted (feet)
9	12
10	14
11	16
12	18
13	20
14	22
15	24

It is evident that in general the top of the window should be as close to the ceiling as practicable. The Industrial Commission of Wisconsin recommends that the top of the window be placed within 8 in. or less of the ceiling.

The window-sill should not be less than 3 to 3½ ft. from the floor.

20. Size and Location of Windows.—There is quite a discrepancy with respect to the relative areas of window space and floor area commonly recommended. For school lighting the ratio commonly specified ranges from ⅙ to ½. The Belgian government specifies ⅙ the floor area while Trucand Chavernace claims that ⅓ to ½ or even ⅔ of the floor area is the required window area. Engelbracht suggests the following formula:

$$w = \frac{A}{5} + \frac{d^2}{36}$$

where w = window area.
A = floor area.
d = depth of room.

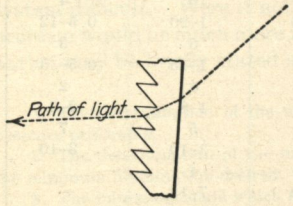


FIG. 28.

This is perhaps the most reasonable requirement for it takes into consideration the depth of the room. For factories, offices, and buildings used for similar purposes, the order of the Wisconsin Industrial Commission specifies the glass area should equal 20% of the floor area, and the distance of any working position should not exceed 2.25 times the height of the top of the window above the floor where windows are on one side only, and 4.5 times this height where windows are on two sides. This differs slightly from the recommendation of Waldram as well as from that of Engelbracht. The differences are not great, however.

The importance of the location of windows is recognized by all authorities although there is a diversity of opinion in regards to details. They are all agreed that no windows should be placed where workers or pupils must face them. Since most persons are right-handed, one fundamental principle of proper lighting is to have light come from the left. In natural lighting three systems are in vogue: unilateral, bilateral, and sky-lighting. The predominant opinion favors unilateral lighting with the windows on the left of the pupils when seated. Prof. F. K. Richtmeyer recommends that windows be placed on only one side of school rooms less than 24 ft. wide, and bilateral lighting for wider rooms. H. L. Dunstall, an English architect, objects to bilateral lighting for it gives rise to conflicting shadows which are trying on the eyes. Where neighboring buildings obstruct the sky some form of prism glass may be used for the upper part of the windows (Fig. 28).

21. Natural Lighting of Factories.—The following more detailed specifications for natural lighting of factories are abstracted from the Industrial Lighting Code of the Industrial Commission of Wisconsin.

21*a*. Window Frames.—The steel window frame has approximately 25% more glass area for the same window opening. Steel window frames are not subject to the effect

[1] P. J. Waldram, Illuminating Engineer, vol. 7.

of moisture, like wooden frames, hence their operation is certain. In extra large openings they can be reinforced to resist wind pressure or other strains without noticeable interference with the light area.

21b. Window Glass.—Both translucent and clear glass may be employed in industrial plants. For the upper and middle portions of the windows, clear glass is preferable especially where suitable window shades are provided. If no window shades are provided, moderately translucent glass can be employed to advantage in the lower portions of the windows to a distance of approximately 6 ft. from the floor.

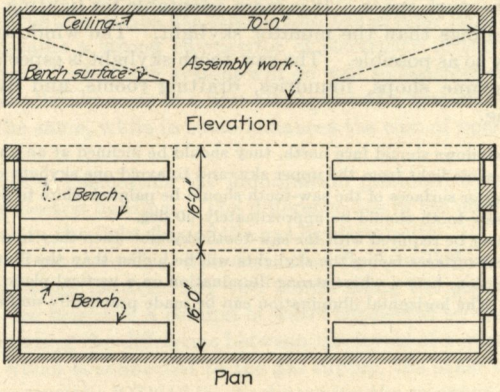


FIG. 29.

Translucent wire glass, also called ribbed glass, in steel frames is often desirable for reducing the fire risk. The glass should be smooth on both sides to facilitate cleaning. It is best to install the glass with the ribs horizontal because the prism effect of the ribs will direct more light to the interior of the building.

21c. Window Shades.—When clear window glass is used, shades may be required to exclude direct sunlight. The best method of accomplishing this result is to employ two shades—a very translucent shade which can be pulled down from the top, and a much denser shade, but yet translucent shade, which can be pulled up from the bottom. If only one shade

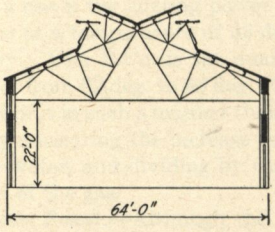


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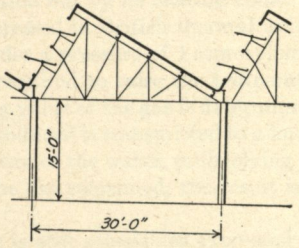


FIG. 31.

is used, it should be mounted at the bottom of the window and should be the dense, slightly translucent shade mentioned above.

21d. Bench Location.—Considerations of good illumination require that work benches, desks, etc., be located perpendicular to the windows (Fig. 29). With such an arrangement the effects of shadows and glare are practically eliminated.

21e. Skylights.—Skylights may be of two kinds depending upon the form of room construction—flat or monitor. When flat skylights are employed, the ribs of wire glass should be installed so that the ribs run parallel to the long dimension of the skylight. If this is not done, the light is diffused over a narrow area parallel to the strip of skylight thus lighting

one part of the room much more brilliantly than the remainder, which condition it is desirable to avoid.

The illumination near the center of the top floor may be made satisfactory by the use of flat skylights. Too strong light during parts of the day is the chief disadvantage of this system.

21*f*. Monitor Roof Skylights.—This type of construction is shown in Fig. 30. To make this method most effective the ceilings and upper walls must be finished white. A special form of monitor roof skylight is the so-called saw-tooth construction (see Fig. 31). With this construction a nearly uniform intensity and excellent diffusion of illumination is secured throughout the work space. It is more adaptable for lighting large floor areas in wide buildings with low ceilings than the monitor skylight. The windows of the skylight should face north or as nearly so as possible. The saw-tooth skylight is especially well suited for lighting textile mills, machine shops, foundries, drafting rooms, and dye houses where careful color matching is done.

Since the saw-tooth windows should face north, they should be inclined at an angle of 20 to 30 deg. from the vertical in order to admit some light from the upper sky, and to avoid one skylight cutting off the light from the next in the rear. The interior surfaces of the saw-tooth should be painted white to diffuse the illumination. The angle at the peak of the saw-tooth should be approximately 90 deg.

Shades will scarcely ever be required with the saw-tooth skylight when they face north except in some offices. The illumination of vertical surfaces facing the skylights will be higher than the illumination on vertical surfaces facing in the opposite direction; hence, where strong illumination on a vertical plane is necessary the work should be arranged accordingly. The horizontal illumination can be made practically uniform.

SECTION 8

GAS LIGHTING

By C. M. Jansky

With the invention of the incandescent electric lamp, the use of gas for lighting rapidly declined, but with the invention of the gas mantle and the greater improvement in gas lighting fixtures, gas again became a strong competitor of electricity in the field of illumination. In many cases the designer of a lighting system will do well to consider the possibilities of gas lighting service. The installation costs of a first-class gas and a first-class electric lighting system are approximately the same, while in some instances the cost of operation may be less for gas than for electricity.

The general principles of calculating the illumination produced by a gas lighting system are the same as those for electric lighting. The difference lies in the character of the distribution curves and variations in the light flux of the gas lighting units.

1. Definitions.—*Gas Pressure.*—Gas, like any other fluid, will flow through pipes only if there is a difference of pressure between any two points along the pipes. This difference in pressure is indicated by the height of a column of water supported by the pressure of the gas, which is obtained by measuring the difference between the levels of a quantity of water in a U-shaped tube, one end of which is connected to the gas supply, the other being open to the air.

Since 1 cu. in. of water weighs 0.03613 lb., to determine the pressure of the gas per sq. in., merely multiply the difference in water level, that is, pressure in inches of water, by 0.03613. Sometimes the pressure is expressed in terms of the difference of elevation of mercury in the two limbs of a manometer tube. When this is done the water equivalent may be obtained by multiplying the mercury elevation by 13.56, since mercury is 13.56 times as heavy as water.

Density or Specific Gravity.—The specific gravity of gas means the relative weight of a volume of the gas and the weight of an equal volume of air at 32 deg. F. and 1 atmospheric pressure. Since illuminating gases are lighter than air, the specific gravity of the gas will almost invariably be less than unity.

Heating or Calorific Value.—With the introduction of the gas mantle the illuminating properties of a gas are no longer determined by its composition but by its heating value. The calorific value of a gas is the heating power of the gas expressed in British thermal units per cubic foot of the gas at a temperature of 62 deg. F., and under a pressure of 1 atmosphere, about 30 in. of mercury. One B.t.u. is the quantity of heat required to raise the temperature of one pound of water from 62 deg. to 63 deg. F. The heating value of the gas is determined by burning a quantity of it in such a manner that all the heat produced is transmitted to a known weight of water. By measuring the increase in the temperature of the water, multiplying this by the weight of the water, and dividing by the volume of the gas consumed, the result is the B.t.u. per cubic foot of the gas.

Gas Candles Power.—Although the quality of gas is still sometimes expressed in terms of its candle power, the luminous property is of little practical importance. The candle power of a gas is the luminous intensity in a horizontal direction from an Argand burner or from the flat side of an open tip burner consuming 5 cu. ft. of gas per hr., and is obtained by direct comparison with a standard of known intensity. It is an indication of the amount of illuminants in a gas. With the mantle, the candle power is not determined by the illuminants but by the heating value. The gas is thus merely a fuel for raising to incandescence the material of the mantle.

Gaseous Fuels.—The gases used for both illuminating and heating purposes may be divided into two general classes, manufactured and natural. The chemical composition of gases in either of these classes will vary and accordingly the heating values will vary. Table 1 gives the composition of manufactured commercial gases.

TABLE 1.—COMPOSITION AND HEATING VALUE OF COMMERCIAL GASES

Character of gas	Hydrogen, H_2	Methane, CH_4	Ethylene, C_2H_4	Nitrogen, N_2	Carbon monoxide, CO	Oxygen, O_2	Carbon dioxide, CO_2	B.t.u. per cu. ft.	Authority
Oil gas	32.0	48.0	16.5	3.0	....	0.5	.....	846	
Coke-oven gas	50.0	36.0	4.0	2.0	6.0	0.5	1.5	603	Wyer, S. S.
Carbureted water gas	40.0	25.0	8.5	4.0	19.0	0.5	3.0	575	
Water gas	48.0	2.0	....	5.5	38.0	0.5	6.0	295	Wyer, S. S.
Blast-furnace gas	1.0	....	....	60.0	27.5	...	11.5	91	
Pintsch gas	12.4	45.4*	35.7†	3.0	0.6	2.0	0.7	1500	

* Saturated hydrocarbons. † Unsaturated hydrocarbons.

In addition to the gases mentioned in the above table, two other gases should be mentioned—coal gas and acetylene. The composition of coal gas will depend upon the quality of the coal from which it is made. The heating value will range from 500 to 678 B.t.u. per cu. ft. Acetylene is a gas rich in carbon and must be burned with a liberal supply of air, but when so burned gives a very brilliant whitish flame and produces a most useful local source of light. A mantle is seldom used with an acetylene burner, hence its heating value for illumination is immaterial although it will develop between 1437 to 1477 B.t.u. per cu. ft. Natural gas, like coal gas, will vary greatly in composition depending upon the locality of the wells. Its specific gravity ranges from 0.57 at Clarion Co., Pa., to 1.01 in northwestern Oregon.[1] The heating value ranges from 21 to 1766 B.t.u. per cu. ft.

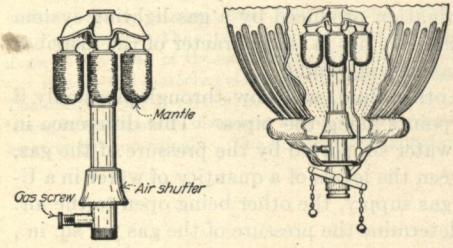


FIG. 1.

2. Gas Lamps.—The gas lamp in its simplest form consists of two essential parts—the burner and the mantle—the former usually being fitted with a glass chimney to secure satisfactory and efficient illumination (Fig. 1). The function of the burner is to properly mix the air and gas and to direct the flow of the mixture so that when ignited it will raise the mantle to a uniformly high temperature. The luminous property of the burning gas is of no importance but its heating properties are of first importance. The mantle is a lacelike hood of refractory material which, when heated to incandescence, gives a brilliant light. The mantle is made of some organic material, such as "artificial silk," impregnated with the salts of ceria and thoria. The character

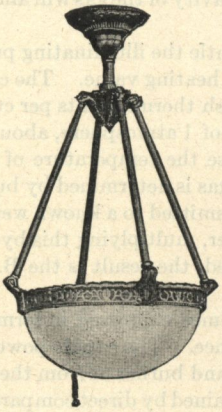


FIG. 2.



FIG. 3.

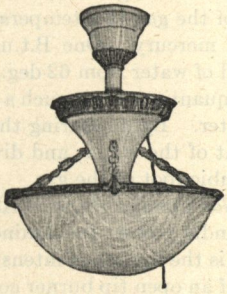


FIG. 4.

[1] Marks, Mechanical Engineers' Handbook, p. 614.

of the fabric used determines the mechanical strength of the mantle, while the rare earths employed determine its radiant efficiency and the color of the light. In the earlier lamps the mantle was mounted above and enclosing the burner. This greatly limited the use of the gas lamp, but more modern designs permit the mounting of the mantle below the burner in a pendant position.

Likewise, the lamps may be single or multiple, *i.e.*, contain one or more burners and mantles. With these developments, the gas lamp has almost the same adaptableness as the electric lamp. Some recent types of inverted gas lamps are shown in Figs. 2, 3, and 4.

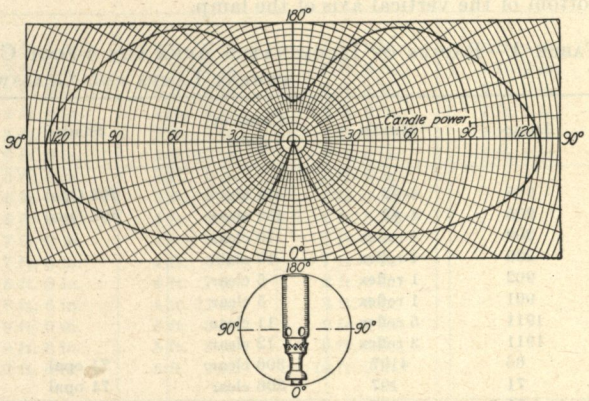


FIG. 5.

3. Distribution Curves.—The light flux distribution curve of the gas lamp depends upon the reflector in the same manner as the distribution curve of an electric lamp. This is shown by Figs. 5 and 6. Fig. 5 is the distribution curve of a vertical gas lamp consuming 4.66 cu. ft. of water gas per hr. with a clear chimney. Fig. 6 is the distribution curve of a similar lamp with a reflector as shown. It is thus evident that in designing a gas lighting system, due attention must be given to the type of reflector and the distribution curves produced.

4. Design of Gas Lighting System.—The first step in designing a gas lighting system is exactly the same as for an electric lighting system; that is, the determination of the proper illumination on the working plane. The second step is the calculation of the number of lumens necessary to produce this desired illumination. The number of lumens emitted by any lamp may be calculated from the distribution curve of that lamp. If the mean spherical candle power of the lamp is known, the total lumens may be obtained by multiplying the mean spherical candle power by 12.57. It is rather difficult to follow this procedure for the coefficients of utilization for gas lighting fixtures are not available. Table 2[1] gives much valuable data on gas lamps and reflectors. This together with Table 3 may be used in determining the spacing and mounting height of different types of lamps of the Welsbach make. The radius for 4-foot candles illumination, Table 2, is the radius of the horizontal circle on the working plane from a point immediately beneath the lamp within which circle an average illumination of 4 foot-candles will be produced when the lamp is placed at the proper height. To find the corresponding radius for other illumination intensities, the radius for 4 foot-candles is multiplied by the multiplier, Table 3, opposite the desired illumi-

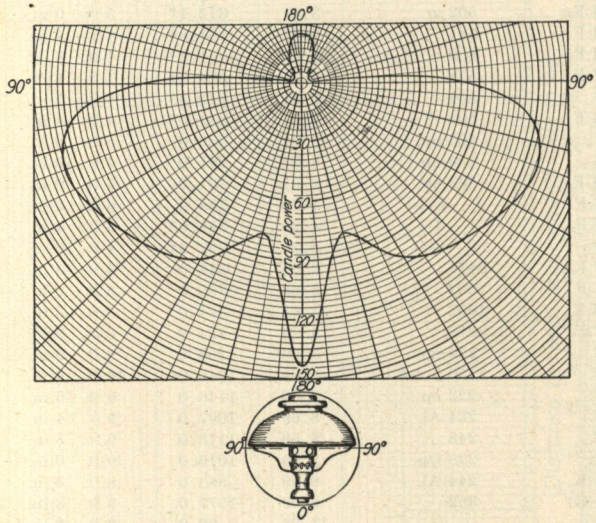


FIG. 6.

[1] Welsbach Illumination Data Book.

nation intensity. Opposite this corrected radius will be found the mounting height above the working plane. The zones 30, 45, and 60 deg. for which calculations are made, are those within which the light from the different reflectors is distributed with such uniformity upon a horizontal plane that the minimum illumination near the edge of the illuminated area will be near enough to the average for practical purposes. The zones are measured from the bottom of the vertical axis of the lamp.

TABLE 2.—RADIUS OF ILLUMINATED AREA FOR 4-FOOT CANDLES ILLUMINATION WITH DIFFERENT LAMPS AND GLASSWARE

Lamp	Mantle	Chim. or globe	Shade	Cons. (cu. ft.	60 deg. lumens	Radius for 4 f.-c. illum.
905	4-#2	434 alab.	#98 Opal	18.8	877.4	8 ft. 4 in.
905	4-#2	434 clear	#98 Opal	18.8	879.2	8 ft. 4 in.
209	4 reflex	10 clear		13.03	906.0	8 ft. 6 in.
209	4 reflex	10 alab.		13.03	730.0	7 ft. 8 in.
902	1 reflex	5 clear		3.71	328.0	5 ft. 0 in.
901	1 reflex	5 clear		3.71	324.0	5 ft. 0 in.
1911	5 reflex	11 clear		17.01	1942.0	12 ft. 6 in.
1911	3 reflex	12 clear		11.02	1245.0	10 ft. 0 in.
66	4197	306 clear	71 opal	5.12	430.7	5 ft. 9 in.
71	197	306 clear	71 opal	4.66	321.0	5 ft. 0 in.
71	197	306 clear	71 gr. opal	4.66	337.1	5 ft. 2 in.
71	197	306 opal	71 opal	4.66	302.0	4 ft. 11 in.
71	197	42 ch.	71 opal	4.07	345.0	5 ft. 3 in.
71	197	42 ch.	71 gr.	4.07	280.0	4 ft. 9 in.
71	196	310 c. ch.	316 op.	3.70	253.0	4 ft. 6 in.
71	196	310 op.	316 op.	3.70	230.0	4 ft. 0 in.
52	53		1678	1.66	42.5	1 ft. 6 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 TF	442 F. R.	3.31	217.4	4 ft. 2 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 C.	441 V.K.	3.56	224.1	4 ft. 3 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 H.F.	502 gr.	3.31	312.1*	5 ft. 0 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 H.F.	531	3.31	264.8*	4 ft. 4 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 H.F.	502 op.	3.31	231.8*	4 ft. 3 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 T.F.	531	3.31	304.7*	4 ft. 11 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 F.	504	3.31	210.3*	4 ft. 1 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 H.F.	504	3.31	234.0*	4 ft. 4 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 F.	503 op.	3.31	326.0	5 ft. 0 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 F.	533 en.	3.31	295.0	4 ft. 10 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 H.F.	533 en.	3.31	321.0	5 ft. 0 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 T.F.	E-1	4.20	538.9	6 ft. 6 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 T.F.	I-1	4.20	368.0*	5 ft. 4 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 C.	F-1	4.20	292.0†	4 ft. 10 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 T.F.	3416	3.65	344.0	5 ft. 3 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 T.F.	1602	3.65	380.0	5 ft. 5 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 H.F.	1602	3.65	344.0	5 ft. 3 in.
1 reflex	reflex	317 T.F.	0918	3.74	424.0	5 ft. 9 in.
reflex-20	403	376 C.	224 op.	8.69	1203.0	9 ft. 9 in.
reflex-20	403	376 C.	7150 holo.	8.69	1346.0	10 ft. 4 in.
reflex-20	403	376 C.	222 op.	8.69	1146.0	9 ft. 6 in.
reflex-20	403	376 C.	224 Al.	8.69	1097.0	9 ft. 4 in.
reflex-20	403	376 C.	248	8.69	1113.0	9 ft. 5 in.
reflex-20	403	376 C.	228 Op.	8.69	1016.0	9 ft. 0 in.
reflex-20	403	376 V.K.	244 Al.	8.69	883.0	8 ft. 3 in.
		376 V.K.	352	8.69	1077.0	9 ft. 3 in.
open flame	.....	.....	.....	7.23	90.0	2 ft. 8 in.
intenso	3-Ref.	910 C.	.....	10.62	942.0	8 ft. 9 in.
4 reflex	40	.....	423 C.R.	1.70	144.5	3 ft. 5 in.
4 reflex	40	328 T.F.	9421	1.70	222.5	4 ft. 3 in.
48 reflex	3-33	8 C.	.....	6.72	908.0	8 ft. 5 in.
48 reflex	3-33	8 Al.	.....	7.21	638.0	7 ft. 1 in.
1800	3-33	1806 Al.	.....	7.14	707.0	7 ft. 6 in.

* = lumens in 45 deg. zone.
† = lumens in 30 deg. zone.

TABLE 3

Illumination ft.-candles	Multiplier for radius	Corrected radius	Mounting height above working plane		
			60 deg.	45 deg.	30 deg.
1	2	2 ft. 6 in.	1 ft. 6 in.	2 ft. 6 in.	4 ft. 4 in.
1⅓	1¾	3 ft. 0 in.	1 ft. 9 in.	3 ft. 0 in.	5 ft. 3 in.
2	1⅗	3 ft. 6 in.	2 ft. 0 in.	3 ft. 6 in.	6 ft. 0 in.
2⅔	1¼	4 ft. 0 in.	2 ft. 4 in.	4 ft. 0 in.	7 ft. 0 in.
3	1⅓	4 ft. 6 in.	2 ft. 7 in.	4 ft. 6 in.	7 ft. 9 in.
4	1	5 ft. 0 in.	2 ft. 11 in.	5 ft. 0 in.	8 ft. 8 in.
5⅓	9/7	5 ft. 6 in.	3 ft. 2 in.	5 ft. 6 in.	
6	4/5	6 ft. 0 in.	3 ft. 6 in.	6 ft. 0 in.	
7	¾	6 ft. 6 in.	3 ft. 9 in.	6 ft. 6 in.	
8	7/10	7 ft. 0 in.	4 ft. 0 in.	7 ft. 0 in.	
		7 ft. 6 in.	4 ft. 4 in.	7 ft. 6 in.	
		8 ft. 0 in.	4 ft. 7 in.	8 ft. 0 in.	
		8 ft. 6 in.	4 ft. 11 in.	8 ft. 6 in.	
		9 ft. 0 in.	5 ft. 3 in.	9 ft. 0 in.	
		9 ft. 6 in.	5 ft. 6 in.	9 ft. 6 in.	
		10 ft. 0 in.	5 ft. 9 in.	10 ft. 0 in.	

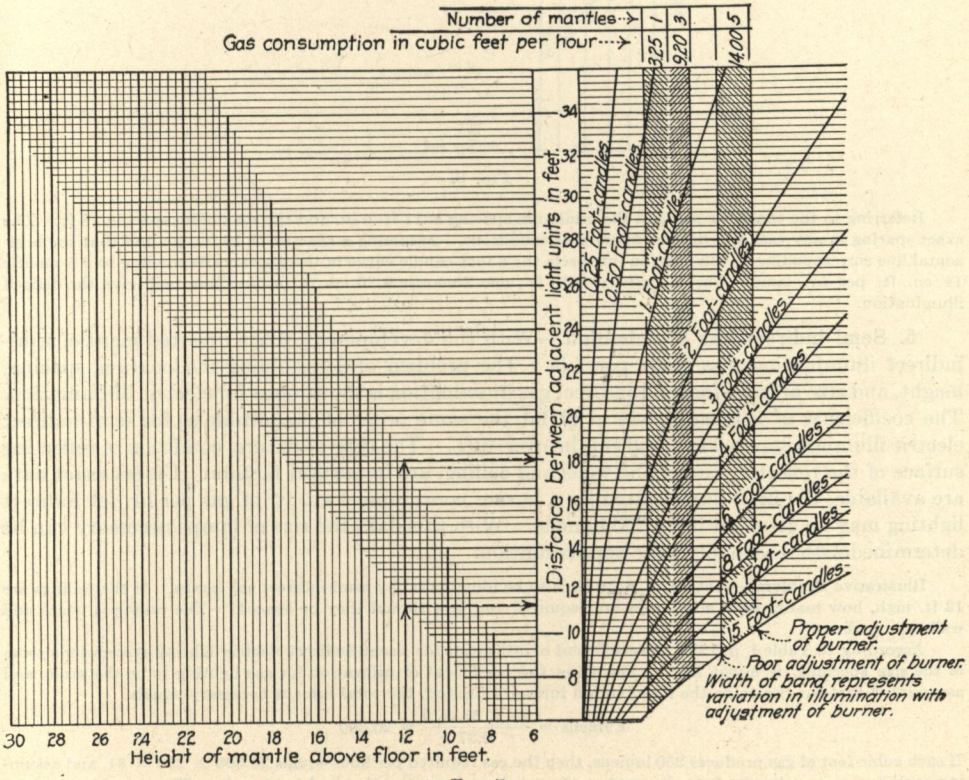


FIG. 7.

Illustrative Problem.—What must be the mounting height of a No. 20 Reflex lamp with a No. 248 reflector, in order to produce an average illumination of 6 foot-candles, and how far apart should the lamps be spaced?

By Table 2, the illumination radius for 4 foot-candles is 9 ft. 5 in. The multiplying factor for 6 foot-candles is ⅔, Table 3. The corrected radius is ⅔ × 113 in. = 92 in. = 7 ft. 8 in., practically, 7 ft. 6 in. Referring to Table 3 we find that for a 60-deg. zone, the mounting height is 4 ft. 4 in. and for a 45-deg. zone, it is 7 ft. 6 in. above the illumination plane. If the lamps are thus mounted 15 ft. apart, the illumination intensity will be about 6 foot-candles.

Arthur Sweet has prepared for the Industrial Commission of Wisconsin a chart, Fig. 7, for determining the proper spacing and size of gas lamps to produce a desired illumination intensity. This is used in exactly the same way as chart, Fig. 26, p. 1341. The result, however, is given in cubic feet of gas per hour required and number of mantles instead of watts.

Illustrative Problem.—An illumination intensity of 6 foot-candles is required. The lamps are to be mounted 12 ft. above the floor. What is the minimum and maximum spacing and what gas consumption will be required?

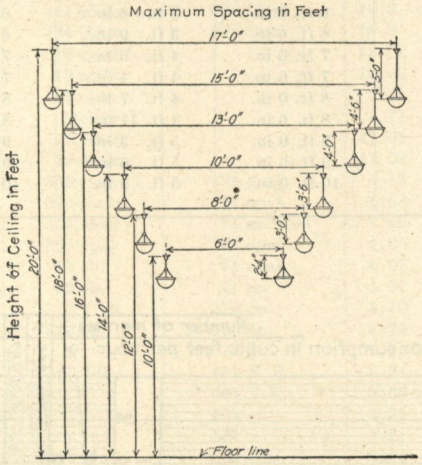


FIG. 8.

Referring to the chart, we see that the minimum spacing is 11 ft. 6 in. and the maximum spacing 18 ft. The exact spacing in any case will depend upon local conditions. Assuming a spacing of 15 ft., we find that the horizontal line corresponding to this spacing intersects the 6 foot-candle curve in the space corresponding to a 5-mantle 14 cu. ft. per hr. lamp. For a spacing of 13 ft., one 3-mantle 9.20 cu. ft. per hr. lamp will give the desired illumination.

5. Semi-indirect Gas Illumination.—With the development of the inverted mantle, semi-indirect illumination was made possible. The problem of determining the location, spacing, height, and size of lamp for semi-indirect gas illumination is the same as for electric illumination. The coefficients of utilization are of about the same order of magnitude as for semi-indirect electric illumination—seldom will this be over 40%. The type of fixture, condition of reflecting surface of the reflector, and of the walls and ceiling, are important factors. Unless exact data are available, the light flux emitted by a burner consuming 1 cu. ft. of gas per hr. for indirect lighting may be assumed to be 250 lumens. With this data the size of lamps necessary can be determined with reasonably close approximation.

Illustrative Problem.—A store 25 × 50 ft. is to be illuminated by semi-indirect gas lamps. If the ceilings are 12 ft. high, how many, what size lamps are required, and how should they be spaced? The ceiling is white and walls are medium.

According to Table 1, p. 1321, the coefficient of utilization for a semi-indirect electric lighting system for a room of the size specified, is about 37%. Assuming the coefficient of utilization for gas lighting to be the same, and assuming 6 foot-candles to be the illumination intensity desired, the total lumens necessary equals

$$\text{Lumens} = \frac{25 \times 50 \times 6}{0.37} = 20{,}300$$

If each cubic foot of gas produces 250 lumens, then the gas required per hour equals 20,300 ÷ 250 = 81, and assuming each burner to consume 3 cu. ft. per hr., the number of mantles required is 81 ÷ 3 = 27.

The spacing and height of mounting is determined by the shape of the room and height of ceiling. Figs. 8 and 9[1] show maximum distances permissible between outlets. Since the ceiling is 12 ft. high, the maximum spacing, Fig. 8, is 8 ft. and Fig. 9, 16 ft. The former is for rooms where close and exacting work is done. Requirements

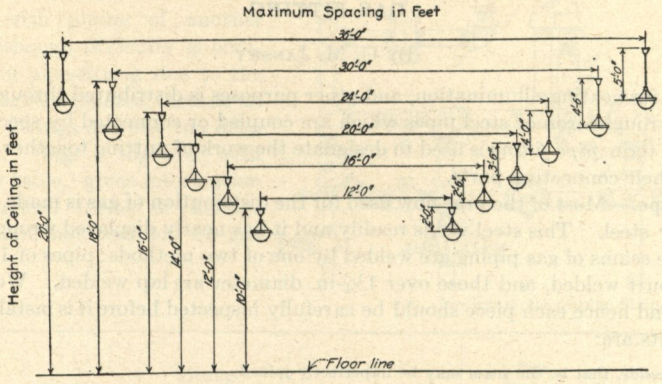


FIG. 9.

of symmetry require two rows of lamps 6 ft. from the outside walls and 13 ft. apart. The lamps in the rows may be 6 ft. from the end walls and 12 ft. 8 in. apart. This necessitates 8 lamps of three burners each.

[1] Welsbach, "Short Cut Method of Calculating Illumination with Semi-indirect Fixtures."

SECTION 9

GAS FITTING

By C. M. Jansky

Gas used for heating, illumination, and other purposes is distributed through the buildings by means of wrought-iron or steel pipes which are coupled or connected by special parts called fittings. The term *pipe fitting* is used to designate the work of putting together various lengths of pipes and their connecting parts.

1. Gas Pipe.—Most of the pipe now used for the distribution of gas is made of a low-carbon acid Bessemer steel. This steel welds readily and it has nearly displaced wrought iron for this purpose. The seams of gas piping are welded by one of two methods: pipes of 1¼-in. diameter or under are butt welded, and those over 1¼-in. diameter are lap welded. Welded pipes may have defects and hence each piece should be carefully inspected before it is installed. The most common defects are:

1. *Defective welds*, that is, the seam may be imperfectly joined.
2. *Cracks.*—These originate in the ingot as blowholes, shrinkage cracks, or other defects. As the ingot is rolled out in a sheet these defects lengthen out.
3. *Blisters.*—These are caused by "piping," or cavity in the ingot, and heat swells them above the surface when the pipe is formed.
4. *Scale Pits and Sand Marks.*—These are small indentations caused by rolling scale or sand into the surfaces of the plate from which the pipe is formed.

Welded steel pipe is made in standard sizes designated in inches, as follows: ⅛, ¼, ⅜, ½, ¾, 1, 1¼, 1½, 2, 2½, 3, 3½, 4, 4½, and in sizes of even inches from 5 to 12 in. inclusive. These sizes refer to the inside diameters of the pipes, but as a matter of fact, they are only nominal as the actual diameters differ more or less from the designated diameters. While pipe is designated by its nominal inside diameter, it is standardized in size in outside diameters.

Steel pipe may be obtained either galvanized or plain, and some makers coat it with asphalt or tar. A pipe is now made particularly smooth and free from scale by welding it slightly over size and reducing it to proper dimensions in sizing rolls.

2. Dimensions of Standard Iron Pipes.[1]—The following table shows the standard dimensions of iron pipe, including standard threads for ends of the pipe. These standard sizes are made in wrought iron, mild steel, and brass as commerical products.

In ordering iron pipe it is necessary to designate only the size of pipe required as given in the first column of the table, without any mention of thickness.

Size (inches)	Actual outside diameter (inches)	Thickness (inches)	Threads per inch	Size (inches)	Actual outside diameter (inches)	Thickness (inches)	Threads per inch
⅛	0.405	0.068	27	3½	4.0	0.226	8
¼	0.54	0.088	18	4	4.5	0.237	8
⅜	0.675	0.091	18	4½	5.0	0.246	8
½	0.84	0.109	14	5	5.563	0.259	8
¾	1.05	0.113	14	6	6.625	0.280	8
1	1.315	0.134	11½	7	7.625	0.301	8
1¼	1.66	0.140	11½	8	8.625	0.322	8
1½	1.9	0.145	11½	9	9.625	0.344	8
2	2.375	0.154	11½	10	10.75	0.366	8
2½	2.875	0.204	8	11	11.75	0.375	8
3	3.5	0.217	8	12	12.75	0.375	8

[1] From Danforth's Mech. Process, p. 401.

3. Pipe Fittings.—Pipe fittings are made in standard forms, sizes, and threads to agree with standard sizes of pipes. Fittings of one manufacture may thus be used with piping of another manufacture although difficulty is occasionally found in pipe-fitting due to the fact that the slightly tapered threads on both pipe and fittings are cut too deep or too shallow. Fig. 1 together with the explanatory table,[1] gives information concerning standard forms of fittings some of which are not common on gas installations.

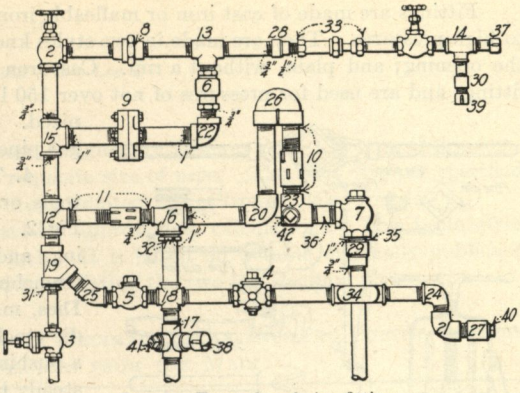


FIG. 1.—Examples of pipe fitting.

Reference No.	Fitting	Size (inches)	Style
1	Globe valve	½	
2	Angle valve	¾	
3	Gate valve	½	
4	Plug cock	¾	
5	Horizontal check valve	¾	
6	Vertical check valve	¾	
7	Angle check valve	1	
8	Screw union	¾	
9	Flange union	1	
10	Long screw	1	
11	Long screw	¾	
12	Tee	¾	Malleable, beaded
13	Tee	¾	Malleable, plain
14	Tee	½	Malleable, beaded
15	Bull-head tee	¾ × 1	Malleable, beaded
16	Reducing tee	¾ × 1 × 1	Malleable, beaded
17	Four-way tee	¾	Malleable, plain
18	Cross	¾	Malleable, beaded
19	Y-branch	¾	Cast iron
20	Elbow	1	Malleable, plain
21	Elbow	¾	Malleable, plain
22	Reducing elbow	¾ × 1	Cast iron
23	Side-outlet elbow	1	Malleable, plain
24	Street elbow	¾	Malleable, beaded
25	45-deg. elbow	¾	Malleable, beaded
26	Return bend	1	Cast iron
27	Sleeve coupling	¾	
28	Reducing coupling	½ × ¾	Malleable, plain
29	Reducing coupling	¾ × 1	Malleable, plain
30	Extension piece	½	Malleable, plain
31	Bushing	½ × ¾	
32	Bushing	¾ × 1	
33	Expansion joint	½	
34	Cross-over	¾	Malleable, beaded
35	Shoulder nipple	1	
36	Long nipple	1	
37	Cap	½	
38	Cap	¾	
39	Cap	½	
40	Plug	¾	
41	Plug	¾	
42	Plug	¾	

[1] Danforth's Mech. Process.

Fittings are made of cast iron or malleable iron. The malleable iron fittings are adapted to high pressures. They are made in two styles known as beaded, that is, with a rolled rim at the opening; and plain, without a rim. Cast-iron fittings are more bulky than the malleable fittings and are used for pressures of not over 150 lb. Iron fittings are either black or galvanized. The latter should be used in connecting gas pipes.

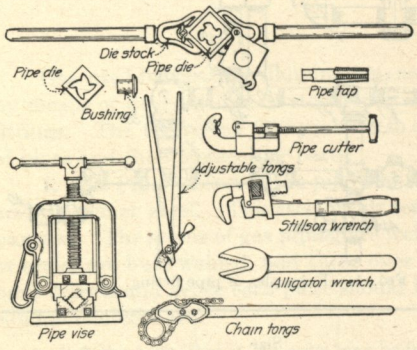


FIG. 2.—Pipe fitting tools.

4. Tools Used in Pipe Fitting.[1]—The hand tools ordinarily used in pipe work are shown in Fig. 2. The pipe vise holds pipe for cutting, threading, and fitting parts together. The tongs and wrenches grip the pipe for holding or turning. Dies, made with standard threads, are held in the die stock when in use. Each size of pipe die has a bushing which fits in the stock behind the die to steady the stock on the pipe end.

5. Flow of Gas in Pipes.—In order that the gas appliances may operate at maximum efficiency they must be supplied by the proper amount of gas at the proper pressure. This means that the pipes must be of ample size so that the pressure will not be materially reduced. The size of the pipe will depend upon the number of outlets to be supplied and the length of pipe.

The standard formula for calculating the size of pipe is that of Prof. Pole as follows:

$$d = \sqrt[5]{\frac{Q^2 L \rho}{C^2(P_1 - P_2)}}$$

in which d = diameter of pipe, in inches.
Q = cubic feet of gas per hour.
P_1 = initial pressure, inches of water.
P_2 = terminal pressure, inches of water.
L = length in feet.
ρ = specific gravity of gas, air 1.
C = constant = 2340, about.

Experience, however, shows that the actual diameter should be considerably larger than the theoretical diameter given by Pole's formula. Furthermore, allowances must be made for partial obstruction of the pipe due to rust and condensed hydrocarbons. This allowance should be about one-third for smooth lead pipes and one-half for iron pipes.[2]

Illustrative Problem.—What size pipe is necessary to supply five burners, each consuming 4 cu. ft. of gas per hr., if the difference of pressure is 1 in. of water? The density of gas is 0.45, and the distance of burners from main is 50 ft.

Data:

$Q = 4 \times 5 = 20$ cu. ft.
$L = 50$ ft.
$\rho = 0.45$
$P_1 - P_2 = 1$ in.

Log Q	= 1.301030	
Log Q^2	= (2)(1.301030)	= 2.602060
Log L	=	1.698970
Log ρ	=	1.653212
Log Q^2L		3.954242
Log 2340	= 3.369216	
Log 2340^2	= (2)(3.369216)	= 6.738432
Log $(P_1 - P_2)$	=	0.000000

[1] From Danforth's Mech. Process, p. 334.
[2] Gerhard, American Practice of Gas Lighting.

$$\text{Log}\ \frac{Q^2 L\rho}{(2340)^2(P_1 - P_2)} = 7.215810 - 10$$

$$\text{Log}\ \sqrt[5]{\frac{Q^2 L\rho}{(2340)^2(P_1 - P_2)}} = 1.443162 - 2 = \text{Log}\ d.$$

$$d = 0.278 \text{ in.}$$

A computer based on this formula has been designed by William Cox. The use of this computer saves much time in determining the requisite size of pipe. The sizes of pipes specified in the computer are somewhat larger than the calculated values from Pole's formula.

The following short table may be used for approximate calculations. This table gives the diameter of pipes in decimals of an inch. It is based on a table originally published by Clegg.[1] The table has been abbreviated by omitting the two last decimal places.

TABLE SHOWING THE DIAMETER OF PIPES, IN DECIMALS OF AN INCH, TO SUPPLY OUTLETS AT CERTAIN DISTANCES FROM THE MAIN

Dist. of outlets from main in feet	Number of burners each consuming 5 cu. ft. per hr. under a pressure of 1 in. (water)												
	3	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	100	150	200	300
	Diameter of pipes, in decimlas of an inch												
5	0.155	0.189	0.249	0.294	0.329	0.359	0.388	0.434	0.474	0.626	0.739	0.826	0.975
10	0.177	0.217	0.286	0.337	0.378	0.413	0.444	0.498	0.545	0.719	0.838	0.949	1.116
15	0.192	0.235	0.310	0.365	0.410	0.448	0.482	0.540	0.591	0.780	0.917	0.129	1.210
20	0.203	0.249	0.329	0.387	0.434	0.474	0.510	0.572	0.626	0.826	0.971	1.090	1.281
30	0.220	0.270	0.356	0.419	0.470	0.514	0.553	0.621	0.679	0.895	1.053	1.182	1.390
40	0.233	0.286	0.378	0.444	0.498	0.545	0.586	0.658	0.719	0.948	1.116	1.252	1.472
50	0.244	0.299	0.395	0.464	0.521	0.570	0.613	0.688	0.752	0.992	1.167	1.309	1.539
60	0.253	0.310	0.410	0.482	0.540	0.591	0.636	0.713	0.779	1.029	1.210	1.357	1.597
70	0.261	0.320	0.422	0.497	0.557	0.609	0.655	0.735	0.804	1.061	1.248	1.310	1.646
80	0.268	0.329	0.434	0.513	0.572	0.626	0.670	0.755	0.826	1.090	1.287	1.438	1.691
90	0.274	0.337	0.444	0.522	0.586	0.641	0.689	0.773	0.846	1.116	1.312	1.472	1.731
100	0.280	0.344	0.454	0.533	0.599	0.654	0.704	0.790	0.864	1.139	1.340	1.503	1.768
150	0.304	0.373	0.492	0.571	0.649	0.710	0.763	0.856	0.937	1.236	1.453	1.630	1.918
200	0.322	0.395	0.521	0.613	0.688	0.752	0.809	0.907	0.992	1.309	1.539	1.727	2.031
250	0.337	0.413	0.545	0.641	0.719	0.786	0.846	0.949	1.037	1.369	1.610	1.806	2.124
300	0.349	0.428	0.565	0.665	0.746	0.815	0.877	0.984	1.076	1.420	1.669	1.873	2.254

The next step in designing a system of piping, after the consumption or size of the various outlets and the best direction to run pipes have been determined, is to determine the proper size of pipes to install. This is best accomplished by beginning at the outlet most remote from the meter and working towards it. When the first branch line is reached, the proper size is again determined by starting at the far end of the branch and proceeding to the junction where the quantities of gas for the two pipes are added and the same process is repeated until finally the meter is reached.[2]

6. Installing Gas Pipe.—In installing pipe for gas service a few simple precautions should be kept in mind. Many cities have local regulations to which the installations must conform. Some require that all pipes and fittings which are to be covered with concrete or cinders must first be covered with tarred paper. When changing the direction of the run, the pipe must not be bent for this may cause a split of the seam. Fittings should always be used whenever a change in the direction is necessary. The pipes should be supported by hangers or supports 10 ft. apart, approximately. When the horizontal runs are to be covered by a floor, the pipes

[1] Gerhard, American Practice of Gas Lighting, p. 46.

[2] H. R. Sterrett, Piping Houses for Gas Lighting, Trans. of Illum. Eng. Soc., vol. 10, p. 298.

may be placed in notches on top of the joists, Fig. 3. Care should be taken to avoid sags in the pipes for moisture and condensation will collect in these preventing the free flow of gas. The horizontal portions should all be sloped either towards the outlet or the meter so that pipes may be readily drained.

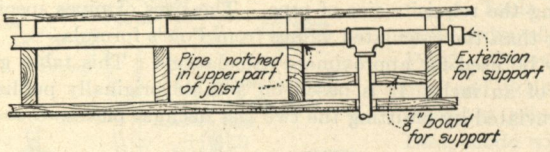


FIG. 3.—Ceiling outlet.

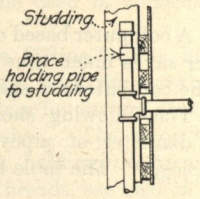


FIG. 4.—Wall outlet.

Fixture connections extending through the walls or ceiling should have extra supports, and the measurements should be exact allowing the fixture to screw up tight and flush with the wall or ceiling. Fixture connections are shown in Figs. 3 and 4.

Every outlet in the entire gas system must have a valve. A valve is also placed on the street side as well as the house side of the gas meter, Fig. 5. All large mains and branches must be provided with valves. These valves are invariably of the plug type.

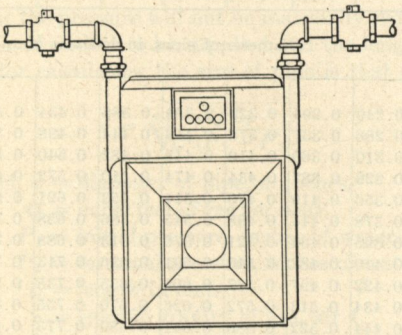


FIG. 5.

7. Testing.—After all pipe is installed in the building and before any plastering or finished flooring is done, the entire system of pipe is subjected to an air test of about 10-lb. gage pressure. All outlets are capped or plugged except one and that one is fitted with the necessary pump and gage. After the air is pumped in to the required pressure, any leak in the system will be noted by the lowering of the gage. Leaks are located by the use of soap suds, and also by forcing ether into piping system. Any defective parts which are disclosed by the test should be taken out and new material put in place.

There are many appliances on the market which use gas as a fuel. The installation of most of these is a comparatively simple process. In the case of cooking appliances, such as, hot plates, the smaller ranges, broilers, bake ovens, etc., the only consideration is the correct sized pipe. Some heating apparatus consuming considerable quantities of gas must be provided with a flue to permit the escape of the burned gases.

SECTION 10

ELEVATORS

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The elevator plant in the modern high class metropolitan city building represents from 8 to 10% of the total investment, and should receive the most careful consideration, as upon it depends to such a large extent the maximum efficiency of the building as an income producer.

Elevators may be classified into Passenger and Freight types, according to the service to be rendered; and these again may be subdivided as follows:

Passenger service and freight
- Hydraulic—Geared
  - Plunger or direct lift
- Electric—Worm geared (drum)
  - (Traction)
  - Gearless Traction
    - (1 : 1 and 2 : 1 roping)

Freight only
- Hand power
- Double belt and single belt
- Ceiling type electric

The forerunners of the modern elevator were hand, belt, and water driven; and the hand and belt driven still survive with little fundamental change, except for the substitution of worm and gear for spur gear drive in the belted type.

1. Hand Power Elevator.—The hand power elevator (Fig. 1) has its use where the service required is so limited that the labor saving deriving from a power elevator would give an inadequate return on the additional investment involved. The speed varies from 10 to 20 ft. per min., according to the operator's strength and endurance. By proper proportioning of gearing, loads up to 5000 to 6000 lb. can be handled, and platforms or cars are made large enough for automobiles of the pleasure and small truck type.

Excepting for the sidewalk or ash lift type, which is operated more or less like a winch, the hand elevator is actuated by pulling an endless rope over a large "V" grooved wheel, the shaft of which is geared to the lifting parts. An enormous length of rope must be overhauled to lift the larger loads and the manual labor item for a hand elevator, in anything like heavy and active service, is not only financially prohibitive, but a discouragement to help. Hand elevators, being built for only the limited strains incidental to the application of muscular power, are *not* suitable for the connecting of power drive.

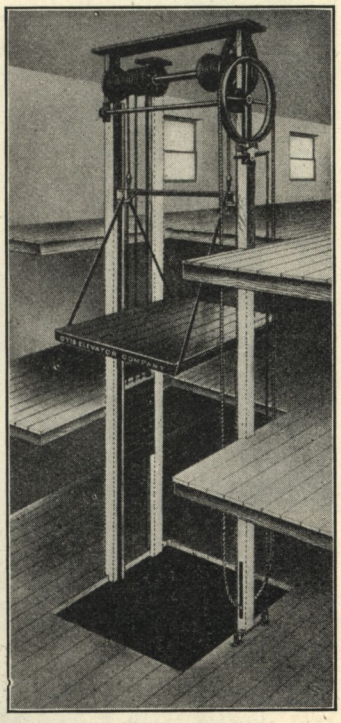


Fig. 1.—Hand power elevator.

2. Belted Elevator.—The belted elevator (Fig. 2) is usually driven from line shafting existing for other purposes as well. The best practice fixes the speed at about 50 ft. per min., which in itself limits the field for this type to low rises and unimportant service. The annoyance and expense of belt maintenance is also against this type. The general adoption of individual drives for all industrial equipment has been the chief factor, however, in the decadence of the belted elevator, for it is just as cheap to connect a motor directly to the machine worm shaft as to connect by belt or chain and more efficient, and from such direct connection has gradually evolved the electric elevator of today.

3. Steam Driven Elevator.—The steam driven elevator, broadly speaking, is entirely of the past. The cost of power is excessive, losses very considerable, power plants expensive to maintain, and often, particularly when no heat is required from the boilers, the entire upkeep of the steam plant must be charged to elevator service. There are still some old steam elevators in service, but in practically every case it would be found a paying investment to substitute electric drive.

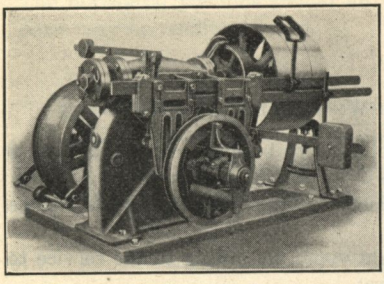


FIG. 2.—Belted elevator machine.

There is a steam driven type which has some advocates; viz., the hydraulic elevator operated by forcing water from a tank into the cylinder by means of live steam. There is a large condensation loss with this type, however, and in cold weather it is apt to give trouble unless particularly well protected, especially after standing idle for some time and allowing the tank water to get cold.

4. Hydraulic Elevator.—At one time practically all passenger elevators were of the hydraulic type, and even after electric elevators became common for moderate speed service, high speed rope geared hydraulic elevators (Figs. 3 and 4) afforded the highest type of service for important buildings. The remarkable development of the electric

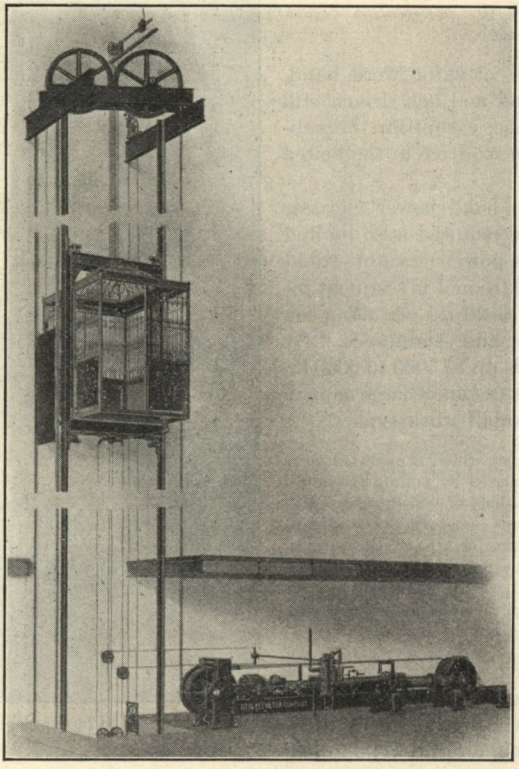


FIG. 3.—Rope geared hydraulic elevator—horizontal type.

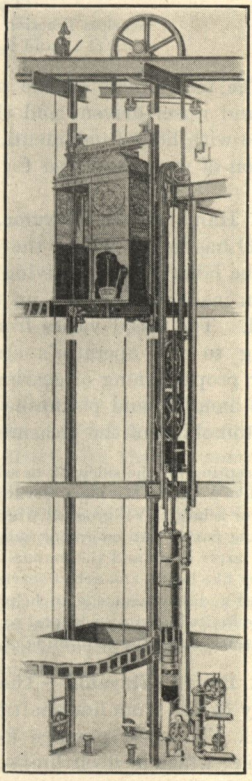


FIG. 4.—Rope geared hydraulic elevator—vertical type.

elevator of late years, however, has left but a very limited field for new hydraulic installations. These latter are practically all of the plunger or direct lift type, where rises are low and loads such that the available water pressure will permit of plungers of small section with a resultant small water consumption and water cost. If an individual pumping plant is installed,

the water can be used over and over, but pumping plants are expensive both as to first cost and usually as to power consumption and they take up space which usually can be put to better use, which is one of the principal reasons for the obsolescence of the high grade geared type of hydraulic elevator.

4a. Hydraulic Plunger Type.—The principal field for the plunger elevator today is for sidewalk ash hoists, where existing water pressure is available and the amount is so small as to permit discharging to the sewer. This type also lends itself well to conditions where the headroom is too limited for overhead machinery or sheaves, although under such conditions the necessary elimination of a counterweight, as would be used with an electric machine, very materially increases the power consumption, as the total weight of plunger, car, and load must be lifted.

Fig. 5 shows the plunger or direct acting type of hydraulic elevator which, in addition to the service above noted, is sometimes installed for low rise, heavy duty service, such as baggage and automobile lifts, and for lifting loaded freight cars and locomotives. Also, in localities where electric current is not available, this type is considered practical for passenger service with car speeds not in excess of 300 ft. per min.

The plunger type of elevator engine consists of a plunger operating within a cylinder, which is protected below the surface by an iron casing. The plunger is usually made of steel tubing of standard lengths coupled together with cast steel couplings on the *inside;* the cylinders are made of wrought or cast iron or of cast steel, the latter two being used only where the surrounding earth might corrode wrought metals. The casings are of standard pipe and are driven to a depth slightly in excess of the elevator travel, or until bed rock is encountered, when the hole is continued with the rock as the casing for the cylinder.

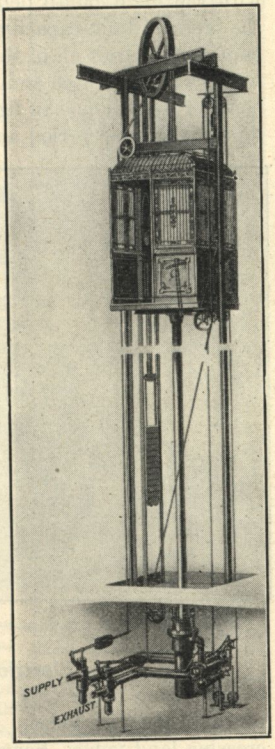


FIG. 5.—Hydraulic plunger elevator.

A stuffing box is mounted on the top of the cylinder, just above ground level, and through this the plunger passes as the elevator travels. The car platform is carried on the top of the plunger, to which it is connected by an iron platen, and a further emergency fastening is effected by cables which are securely bolted to the platform of the car, pass through the entire length of the plunger, and are again fastened to the plug at the bottom of the plunger. This additional fastening between platform and plunger is employed as a safeguard should the plunger break or separate due to internal corrosion of the plunger itself or the breaking of the steel couplings, or the other fastenings at the platform. With a counterweighted elevator, breakage as indicated might, without these safety cables, result in the car being pulled into the overhead work by the overbalance of the counterweight.

The principle of the plunger elevator is quite simple. Water under pressure enters the cylinder just below the stuffing box; the pressure exerts itself in all directions within the cylinder, and the plunger, being movable, responds to the pressure against its bottom, and rises until pressure ceases through the closing of the operating valve, or until the limit of plunger travel is reached. For the down motion the opening of the discharge port of the operating valve permits the cylinder water to be pushed out by the plunger as the latter descends by gravity. With the valve on center the plunger is supported by the water column below it..

While apparently a column, and therefore of limited rigidity, the plunger of a counterweighted elevator actually is *not* subject to the laws of columns. This is partly because the counterweight, equalling in weight the car plus a part of the plunger, acts to place the plunger in tension rather than in compression. This latter fact is one of the reasons for the safety cable extending through its length.

As the plunger rises it loses in buoyancy, in view of which counterbalance cables are installed of such a number and size that their combined weight per foot will compensate for the difference between the weight per foot of the plunger and the water displaced.

The operating control in the car may be hand rope, hand wheel, or lever, the hand rope being used only with slow speed freight elevators, and the hand wheel and lever devices being used with high speed passenger and freight elevators. In the case of the hand wheel or hand rope, the operating cable connects to a three way operating valve on the machine. With lever control connection is made by cable to a pilot valve which in turn is the medium through which the main controlling valve is operated by water from the pressure tank system.

The independent safety devices used on plunger elevators are automatic terminal stop valves actuated by diagonal standing ropes in the hoistway, and spring or oil buffers, according to the speed and service, under both the car and the counterbalance.

4b. Hydraulic Pumping Plants.—Practically all hydraulic elevator plants include some form of pumping plant, the earlier form of gravity pressure tank at the top of the building having been replaced by a closed pressure tank in basement, and an open tank for the discharged water also being located, for convenience, close to the pressure tank.

Any good heavy service pump, either steam or electric driven, will draw the water from the open tank and deliver it at the required pressure into the closed tank. Air is injected also either by a suitable compressor, or in the case of some small installations, by "snifting" in with the main pump delivery. Air should be maintained to the amount of about one-third the pressure tank capacity when at the maximum operating pressure. The tank must be large enough to permit all of the air expansion which the most active elevator operation will cause by withdrawal of water and yet not allow the pressure to drop below the minimum required for elevator operation. In figuring this, the ability of the pump to replace some of the used water during the same period and until the next operation may be taken into consideration.

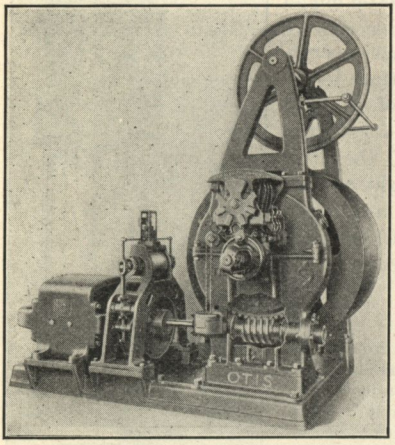


FIG. 6.—Electric machine—drum type.

The efficiency of the pump and the sensitiveness of the pump regulating device will have a bearing on the tank capacity. The more efficient the pump unit, the lower will be the cost of elevator operation. With the pump system the water is circulated between the tanks and the cylinders, and only sufficient fresh water is required to replace the water lost by leakage.

Accumulator systems have in the past been used for large high pressure plants, but there is little justification today for the installation of a hydraulic elevator plant of sufficient size to warrant going to the expense of accumulator equipment.

5. Electric Elevators.—The electric elevator was introduced in 1889, and its history is one of continuous and continuing development. The machine itself consists essentially of a motor driven drum or traction sheave over which the cables lead to the car on one side and to a counter-balance on the other. A suitable controller is provided to start, accelerate, retard and stop the motor, and keep the starting and running currents at a minimum.

5a. Electric Drum Type.—The earlier designs of the electric machine were all of the drum type (Fig. 6) which winds up the lifting cables as the counterweight cables unwind, and vice versa. This type is driven from the motor through a worm and gear. Increasing land values, however, in the larger cities having forced buildings to expand vertically to the great heights attained, the drum type of electric elevator could not compete with high speed geared hydraulic apparatus, even after the earlier crude controllers were improved upon and comparatively smooth operation was attained, principally because of the unduly large drums required for the great lengths of cable.

5b. Electric Traction Type.—The constant and remarkable improvements in motors, controllers, and mechanical parts which resulted in the increasing favor of the electric type of elevator for freight service, as well as for comparatively low rise and medium speed passenger service, finally led to the development of the gearless traction elevator. This is capable of even greater speed than any public safety department will permit and is without limitation as to rise. As no cables are wound up only a limited set of cable grooves is required for the drum, or *driving sheave* as it is called, and the width of this latter as well as the overall dimensions of a machine of a given capacity remain at a minimum regardless of height of building.

With the gearless traction type (Figs. 7 and 8), a slow speed motor is used (60 to 120 revolutions), mounted on the same shaft with the driving sheave and brake pulley. Owing to the slow revolution of these parts, the

amount of energy stored therein is comparatively small, rapid acceleration is economically accomplished, and smooth, easy stops are made with facility, notwithstanding the high speeds at which the cars themselves travel, for it is the proper control of the revolving machine parts rather than of the car movement directly which is the elevator designer's problem of accomplishment. The power consumption per car mile is materially less for this than for any other type of elevator.

Within this type, and inherent with the traction principle, lies a safety feature of great value. As the tractive or driving effect is due to a fixed relation between the weight of the car and that of the counterweight, it follows that if either member of the couple is obstructed in its descent or lands on the buffer, the other member cannot be pulled into the overhead work, owing to the minimizing of the traction.

This latter feature, together with the resultant simplification of the manufacturing problem, has resulted in leading manufacturers having adopted the traction drive for universal service (Fig. 9).

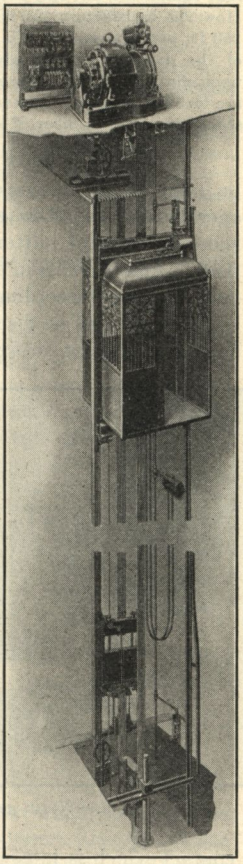


FIG. 7.—Gearless traction elevator—1:1 roping.

5c. Types of Control.—Electric elevators are controlled by one of the following methods:

Hand Rope Control.—The earliest and cheapest form is by means of a flexible iron cable. This passes through or alongside the car, from top to bottom of the hoistway, and by means of leading sheaves is carried over to a wheel on the machine. This, through mechanical connection, actuates the main line and direction switches on the controller and makes other contacts through which the brake is operated and acceleration or retardation is accomplished at a predetermined rate. Centering the hand rope opens the several contacts, cutting off all current and permitting the brake to set.

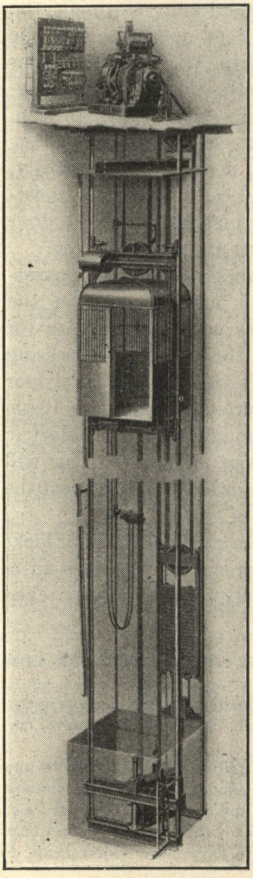


FIG. 8.—Gearless traction elevator—2:1 roping.

This type should be specified only for slow speed freight service, and is fast becoming obsolete even for that class of equipment. The difficulty in making accurate stops as compared with switch control operation loses more time and causes more wear and tear on the motor and controller, due to short "hitches" or travels of a very few inches, than the slight saving in first cost justifies. Also as a large item in the total current consumption is the combined starting current for the various starts, it will be appreciated that the more "hitches" there are the bigger the current bill will be. Furthermore, the early practice of reaching into the hatchway from any landing and pulling the hand rope, which was the one particular apparent advantage favoring rope control, has been made impractical in most states by legislation in the way of gates, etc. This practice is not justifiable under any circumstances as it is attended by danger of several kinds.

Car Switch Control.—Control by means of a hand switch in the car is the most approved type for both passenger and freight service, regardless of speed, excepting where automatic push button control is desirable, as later explained.

Movement of the switch handle from the central position, which it resumes automatically upon being released, results in the energizing of the various magnet coils on the controller. These complete the circuits controlling direction, acceleration, brake and motor, and the centering of the switch either by hand or automatically upon its release breaks these circuits, applies the brake, and stops the machine.

The larger the motor and faster the car speed, the greater the controller refinement required, and modern controllers have been developed to a point where high speeds and heavy loads are handled as smoothly and as safely as the lightest duties.

The smaller machines are equipped with single speed motors and controllers, and for the higher speeds two speed motors are advisable. This last, in reference to two speed motors, applies more particularly to direct current equipment, but only because alternating current motors do not lend themselves so readily to two speed design. However, satisfactory two speed a.-c. motors are now to be had for elevator service and their use for car speeds of 250 ft. per min. and over is recommended. The slowing down to second speed gives practically the equivalent of the dynamic braking effect obtained by partially short circuiting the armature of the direct current motor upon shutting off the power and allowing it to act as a generator when stopping. Car movements of a few inches are facilitated, when necessary, by the ability to operate the motor on the first or low speed although the better stops reduce the number of such "hitches" to a minimum.

Automatic or Push Button Control.—Automatic control by means of push buttons may be used for all slow speed electric elevators, and for plunger elevators by using magnetically operated valves, although this use of the push button type of control is not common. With the common form of button control there is a button on each landing for calling the car to that floor. Also there is in the car a plate or case carrying in its face a button for each floor served, and numbered accordingly, together with a safety or stop button.

The car can be dispatched to any desired floor, up or down, by the passenger touching the corresponding car button. The passenger cannot open the gate with which the car is provided without opening an electric contact thereon which results in stopping the elevator. If he does open the gate, he can resume the trip, or initiate another for a different destination, by again closing it and touching the proper button. When the car arrives at the predetermined floor level, it stops automatically, and a cam on the car releases the hoistway door lock, which has held the door locked prior to the arrvial of the car.

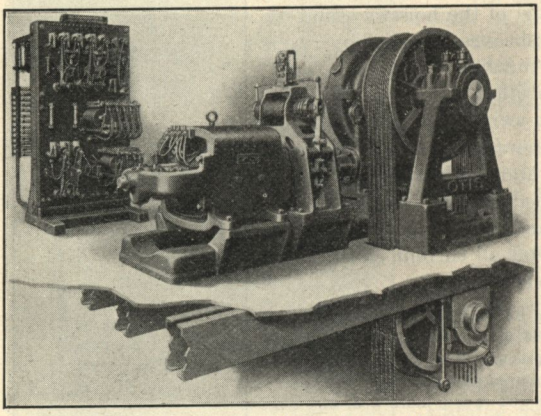


FIG. 9.—Worm geared traction machine.

There are two styles of lock operating cams. One is a fixed cam on the car which releases each lock in turn for the moment that the car may be passing that floor. With this type, if any door is sprung or imperfectly hung, it is liable to open just far enough to open the electric contact which is integral with the lock and engaged only when the door is closed. This will stop the car and if the latter is being *called*, some person must be sent to locate and correct the trouble by closing the door before the car can be brought to the floor of call.

The other cam is of the selective retiring type. It stands back from range of the door locks and comes into operative position only when the floor of destination is reached, when it is automatically pulled into service by a solenoid on the car top. Immediately the car is dispatched elsewhere, the cam automatically retires.

A non-interference feature of the controller renders the car unresponsive to any call until the last user has released it by leaving and closing the car gate and hoistway door behind him.

The floor stops are accomplished by means of a floor controller so geared to the machine driving shaft as accurately to register the car position, and stop the machine through opening the automatic circuit at the interval corresponding to destination.

Acceleration, slow down, and stop are all accomplished automatically, and all public safety inspectors now recognize this so "fool proof" as to be one of the safest types of elevator for private residences, small apartments, and hospitals, in all of which it is readily understood and used by invalids, women, and children. It is used also in banks and private offices, as well as for freight service, although as later explained, the last usually requires the addition of another feature to give accurate stops with loads which are bound to vary more widely than do those in the light passenger services listed above.

The following points are distinctive of the type, and indicate its special operating and safety features.

The car is set into motion by the momentary touching of one of the operating buttons, which does not have to be held compressed while the car is in motion.

While operating from the car, no interference from other calls is possible.

The passenger can stop the car at any time by pressing the stop button, and then start it for a new destination.

The car cannot be started while any landing door or the car gate is open

A landing door cannot be opened until the car is at that landing.

The car is stopped automatically at the predetermined landing.

In addition to the regular terminal stops common to other types, special terminal stops are provided for the upper and lower limits of travel.

It should be pointed out that one of the vital safety features of the automatic elevator is the hoistway door lock. This should be the product, both in design, workmanship, and installation of the greatest skill and long experience. Otherwise the push button elevator becomes but a source of much annoyance and little service, instead of an invaluable servant inconspicuous through perfection.

The practical lock must permit of a very considerable variation of door fit, in order that warping, shrinking, or sagging of the door may not interfere with the proper functioning of the lock. Practically all door locks are made to incorporate contacts only through which the automatic circuit can be established. In some locks, however, these contacts are engaged, if the door is closed, even though the holding latch or bolt which locks it may have failed to engage the keeper. This is *not* a safe lock, in that the door may be opened on occasion of latch failure, even if the car be not at the landing.

The only completely safe lock is so constructed that no contact is established until the lock bolt has entered or engaged the keeper, and the door is not only closed but unquestionably locked.

Special Automatic Control.—A special form of push button control has been developed for freight and warehouse work, where the service will be limited to stopping, on any given trip, at only one floor besides the starting floor. With this control, dispatching buttons corresponding to each floor for each elevator are located on the main floor, preferably set into table, at which a dispatcher sits within full view of all elevators. As a car is loaded, the dispatcher by touching the proper button sends it to the floor of destination, either with or without any person accompanying it. When that floor is reached the car stops automatically and an automatic hoistway door operating machine raises the door, which is of the vertical type. When the trucks are run off by the attendant on that floor, and any other trucks which may be ready have been run on, the attendant touches a door release button, which permits the door to close, at a safe speed, by gravity. When the door is closed, touching a second button dispatches the car to the main floor, where, upon the door being opened, the cycle may be again started. The same gate machine operates all the doors on the same side of a given elevator, a selective device, which operates through the floor controller and separate clutch connections for each door, permitting it to open only one door at a time, and that the door of destination.

This type of control is used only with the micro-levelling elevator, description of which follows.

Micro-levelling Elevator.—What introduces virtually another class of elevator, including a refinement of control, involves what is known as the *micro-levelling* elevator which accomplishes practically perfect stops with all variations of load. All electric elevators depend for the final stop on brake shoes applied to some revolving member of the machine, and as the ultimate shoe friction is fixed in a given machine it follows that the greater the descending load and speed the longer will be the brake slide. Thus a fully loaded descending car will slide farther, after the initial brake application, than one in which the load just equals the weight by which the counterbalance exceeds the empty car, and an empty ascending car will slide farther than a loaded one, owing to the overhauling action of the counterweights.

The result is that an automatically controlled elevator, of the non-micro type, does not lend itself advantageously to service with widely varying loads, as the varying slides in such service may result in the car stopping anywhere within a fairly considerable range below and above the actual floor level.

The increasing use of both hand and power operated commercial trucks in industrial plants has augmented the necessity for quickly and easily made level stops under all conditions. This, together with the evident advantage, practical in many instances, of eliminating the car operator through using the special form of automatic control previously described, brought about the development of the micro-levelling type of elevator. The action of this is so sure and accurate as to have resulted in its installation both with automatic control and as well in many important plants where switch control by an operator has been deemed advisable.

The micro-levelling machine in reality consists virtually of two complete machines and controllers. The motors and mechanical parts are entirely separate, and the two controllers are mounted on the same slate panel. Fig. 10 illustrates the relative positions of the several units.

When operating at speed between stops, the micro units do not function in any way. However, either through the floor controller upon approaching a landing, when automatic control is used, or, if car switch control, when

the switch is centered, the main brake is applied automatically, stopping the elevator and forming at the same time a substantial couple between the main motor shaft and the micro gear shaft. If the main brake has failed to stop the car level with the landing, the micro motor is energized through the action of a switch mounted on the car and operated by cams corresponding to the floors. With the energizing of the micro motor the micro brake is lifted and the elevator is driven, through both gear reductions, the remaining few inches to the floor level. As the speed has been reduced by the micro gear to a few feet per minute, the final stop by means of the micro brake is one of great accuracy. The micro brake becomes the final or holding brake. The main brake, or clutch, which connects the two machines, is held normally in the connecting position by powerful compressed springs, and is always in service excepting when released by power. This latter is possible only when the main motor is functioning. The transition from the main to the micro drive is so smoothly and continuously performed that there is no perceptible interval of rest between, while the distance travelled on the micro is so short as to add no appreciable period to the trip time.

With the micro, the car will not stop *short* of the landing, and should it for any reason run *by* the landing, the micro unit will automatically stop, reverse and bring the car back. Should the lifting cables stretch during the placing of a heavy load, or when the front wheels of a heavy truck go on the platform and before the rear wheels reach it, the micro will function until the platform is again level with the landing.

The levelling switch is one of the most important parts of the controlling apparatus, as upon it depends to a great extent the accuracy of stopping. It consists of four sets of contacts, two of which control the micro motor in one direction of car travel and two in the other direction. These contacts are operated by cams permanently fastened in the hoistway, there being at each stopping level one cam operating the up contacts and another for the down contacts. When the platform is *level* with the landing, both the up and down circuits for the micro motor are interrupted by the levelling switch.

It will be seen by reference to the diagram that the main brake instead of being mounted between the motor and gear housing, as with the other type of machine, is placed in front of the motor. It is carried on the micro gear shaft and acts on a pulley keyed to the main motor shaft.

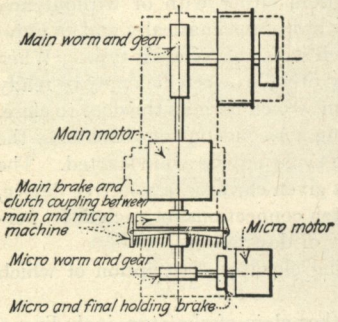


FIG. 10.

Under conditions which will permit, this type of elevator will earn its extra cost in two years through elimination of an operator's wage, and the same saving will pay for the whole elevator in a comparatively few years.

While primarily put out for freight work, the unfailing facility and precision of stops in such service have led to the development of a micro-levelling gearless traction elevator, which is being very generally adopted for high speed passenger service in important office buildings, hotels, and department stores, in connection with car switch control. As the car gate may be opened while the car is "microing" no time is lost, while the increased safety and feeling of security for the passenger, who does not have to "watch his step," are vital advantages, aside from the actual *saving* in time as compared with the non-microing elevator in the hands of a careless or unskilled operator.

6. Escalators and Inclined Elevators.—The elevator story is not complete without a reference to the inclined elevator as distinct from the vertical type.

The *escalator* is virtually a moving stairway, and at rest has the appearance of one, as well as the utility. In service the passengers ride on the steps and the direction of movement may be either up or down, the motor being reversible and the mechanical design accomodating itself to either motion. As the treads reach the travel terminal they disappear under the floor, where they turn and traverse the reverse trip directly underneath the service section, in the manner of an endless belt.

The single file escalator, 24-in. tread, will handle 5500 passengers an hour, and the double file, 48-in. tread, will carry 11,000. The field of service includes department stores, theatres, amusement parks, railway terminals, subway and elevated railway stations, etc. In addition, it is being used with great success to handle the incoming and outgoing operators in a number of large textile and other mills, thereby conserving their energy for useful work.

The *inclined elevator* works on the same principle, using a continuous flexible cleated platform, instead of steps. It is adaptable either for passenger or truck freight service. For freight work, projecting iron lugs are provided on each side, rising just far enough above the platform to engage other lugs bolted to the truck bottoms. The truck attendant rides behind the truck. This type is used in department stores, warehouses, etc., for comparatively short rises. These inclines are all reversible. The angle of incline is 25 deg.

A modification of this type, known as the *inclined dock elevator*, employs a fixed ramp, with a central endless chain on which are engaging lugs for handling the trucks, which may be either hand or electric. The truck attend-

ants walk, and if the truck be of the two-wheeled variety, support the handles as in ordinary service. The most common service employs a two-speed motor, giving 125 to 250 ft. per min. according to the service requirements.

The dock type is so mounted that the ramp may be raised or lowered to accommodate variation of water and deck levels.

7. Gravity Spiral Conveyors.—Gravity spiral conveyors can be used advantageously in many cases to deliver package goods by gravity from upper to lower levels. They can be made to handle anything from the smallest paper carton up to 6 or 8-ft. cases weighing several hundred pounds, and in many cases are built with several blades or spirals for connecting different levels.

8. Layout Features.—All electric freight elevator machines are preferably located over the hoistway. The resulting rope leads are better, giving longer rope life and greater efficiency, and as a general rule the load on the building will be less than with the machine below. With the machine below, its weight is of course taken off the structure, but to the *suspended* weight must be added the equivalent *down pull* on the ropes on the machine side of the overhead work. This pull is usually materially greater than the weight of the machine. The following formulas give the resultant building loads:

With machine above, Load = 2 × car weight plus 1.4 × load in car plus weight of machine.

With machine below, Load = 4 × car weight plus 2.8 × load in car.

Furthermore, with the machine below, the load imposed overhead is all live load and it is general practice to double this for impact, whereas with the machine above, only the suspended load is live load. Further, the total overhead height required for the overhead machine is only from 3 to 4 ft. more than for the basement installation, entailing but little additional cost, whereas the basement location requires a separate fireproof room for the machine, the cost of which, and space required, are both considerable items.

Direct-current passenger elevator machines also should be located overhead, excepting for private residences, when they should go in the basement, on masonry foundations.

In the case of alternating-current passenger elevators, each proposed installation must be carefully considered by itself. The insistent hum peculiar to alternating-current apparatus can be the source of much annoyance, and as the building acoustics may aggravate this, the propriety of locating alternating-current machines overhead in hospitals, apartments, and hotels is questionable. So-called soundproof or sound insulating platforms below the machines may or may not be effective. What gives satisfactory results in one building may fail entirely in another in this respect, due to structural conditions.

Belted machines are almost invariably hung from one of the ceilings most convenient to the line shaft drive.

Excluding the sidewalk or winch type, the gearing for the hand elevator is always located overhead.

It is impossible to give here any method for determining penthouse area, as the size of machine, size and shape of car, location of car entrances and placing of counterweight are all determining factors. For general approximations, the only safe practice is to assume a considerable extension of the penthouse beyond the hatchway lines on one side, and excepting in the case of cars 10 ft. deep or over, an extension on one end as well, although with many large freight elevators the penthouses need be no larger than the hatchways. Do not attempt to fix penthouse dimensions with finality, or the door location in same, without competent expert advice.

The elevation of the machine supports above the top landing floor for ordinary freight and medium speed passenger elevators, is fixed as follows:

Height of car top, plus 1 ft. for freight or 1½ ft. for passenger cars, plus legal run-by clearance, varying from 2 to 4 ft., plus an additional 2 ft. for underhung deflecting sheaves, which may or may not be required.

The clear height above machine supports should be not less than 7 ft. for the same class of elevators.

All of the above figures represent general practice throughout the United States. They should in all cases be checked against controlling regulation.

For high speed elevators, the run-by clearance may have to be as much as 7 ft., and with the gearless traction elevator the total height above the top landing should be about 33 ft. 6 in., 10 ft. 6 in. of which should be above the main machine supports.

Elevator pit depths are in most localities a matter of legal requirement, varying from approximately 4 ft. for medium speeds, up to 12 ft. for high speed gearless traction elevators using terminal oil buffers. Hatchway walls should be reasonably plumb. Any offsets reduce the car size and waste the extra clearance occurring above the offsets. Door or gate sills should be set exactly plumb in order that there may be no excessive clearance between the car and any sill.

TABLE 1

Note—The areas in a given column are not related to the dimensions in adjoining columns

Elevator capacity	Private residence	Hospital*	Apartment house	Hotel	Office building	Department store	Service or employee	Miscellaneous industrial freight	Miscellaneous industrial freight	Industrial truck	Garage
Pounds	Loading 75 lb. per sq. ft.	Car size	Loading—75 lb. per sq. ft. (Areas in sq. ft.)[1]						Loading 100 lb. per sq. ft. (areas)	Car size	Car size
1,000	13 sq. ft.										
1,500		5′ 0″ × 7′ 0″	20	20							
2,000		5′ 0″ × 7′ 0″ 5′ 0″ × 8′ 0″	26	26	26	26	26	26			
2,500		5′ 0″ × 8′ 0″ 5′ 0″ × 9′ 0″	33	33	33	33	33	33			
3,000					40	40	40	40	30		
4,000						53	53	53	40	6′ 4″ × 9′ 0″	
5,000							66	66	50		8′ 0″ × 18′ 0″
6,000		[1]Car areas are inside net areas. 1st car dimensions are outside width. 2nd car dimensions are outside depth.						80	60	9′ 4″ × 17′ 0″	10′ 0″ × 20′ 0″
7,000								93	70	6′ 4′ × 17′ 0″	
8,000								106	80	6′ 4″ × 17′ 0″	10′ 0″ × 24′ 0″
10,000								133	100	9′ 4″ × 17′ 0″	10′ 0″ × 26′ 0″
12,000								160	120	9′ 4″ × 17′ 0″	10′ 0″ × 30′ 0″

* When ordinances specify 75 lb. density for passenger car rating, special permission must be obtained to use any of the above hospital car sizes.

When local ordinances require 80 lb. density for passenger cars, the above sizes must be reduced.

For passenger and service work, cars preferably should be made wide and shallow, or square, excepting for special service conditions, of which the hospital elevator is an example. Elevators for miscellaneous freight work, as in loft buildings, etc., may be approximately square (see Fig. 11 for passenger car proportions).

For industrial truck service, cars should be proportioned to size and number of trucks to be carried at one time. Table 1 suggests suitable dimensions.

Table 1 and Fig. 12 give hatchway clearances and platform proportions.

Cars should be made side post if at all possible, and the larger the elevator the more desirable it is to follow the side post arrangement, which necessitates locating all hoistway doors on the same or opposite sides of the car. Side post cars are stiffer and more rugged, and will stand up better in heavy service, and the first cost also is less, both for the car frame itself and for the guide work.

Door openings should be kept as wide as possible. Narrow entrances reduce efficiency both in freight and passenger service.

Steel guides are preferable to wood, although in many cases, particularly for freight elevators, wood guides will give good service. In some cities, they are prohibited because they are non-fireproof. They are more subject to wear and do not keep their alignment as well as the steel rails, although their first cost is less. Wood guides are practically never used today for high class installations.

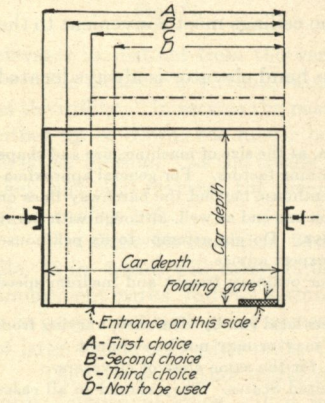


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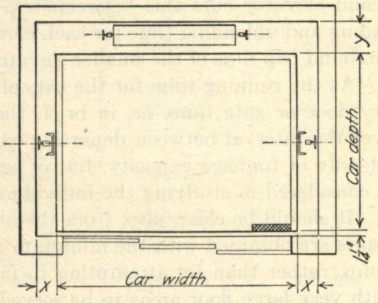
Substantial provision should be considered for intermediate guide rail fastening in all cases where distances between floors exceed approximately 10 ft. In the case of heavy loads, and particularly with deep cars, fastenings should occur every 7 or 8 ft. In such cases, if the hatchway construction does not provide for intermediate fastenings, the rails should have sructural steel backing.

9. Car Frames.—Car frames are preferably of steel, including the platform framing, and the car safety grips should be carried in or below substantial cross members which are independ-

ent of the platform framing and on which the platform should be supported. In brief, the car frame should be a complete steel rectangle, with the safety carrying structure as the bottom member, and the steel crosshead, to which the cables are attached, as the upper member, with vertical connections or stiles consisting of steel channels. In heavy work these stiles should be of extra heavy section, or reinforced with angles bolted to the channel flanges.

A special type of car frame (*floating suspension*) has been devised for very long platforms, as used for the largest motor trucks and some special services. The design is calculated to relieve the car frame, platform, and rail fastenings of the excessive racking strains due to the impacts from heavy loads occurring far out from the guides, which strains are aggravated in the event of the car platform being stopped below the landing level. In this design there are two secondary crossheads, one near either end of the platform. From each of these, cables lead to an independent or car counterbalance. As the platform depresses with the first load impact on its extreme end, the entire weight of this independent counterbalance is taken on the set of cables leading to the corresponding crosshead, thereby relieving the car frame, etc., accordingly. As the load centers, the other set of cables gradually assumes a share of the weight of the counterbalance, until the two sets of cables are in equal tension and the car frame and platform are in balance. No equalizers should be used with these counterbalance ropes. The main or lifting ropes hitch, as usual, to the central or guided crosshead, and the car safety is located below the center of the platform. There is only one set of car guides, centrally placed, and one set of car safety grips

Note:- Conservative figures are used for dimensions and capacities. Many individual cases can be figured more closely when all conditions are determined.



* $x = 6''$, $y = 8''$ } When elevator capacities do not exceed 1500 lb.

* $x = 7\frac{1}{2}''$, $y = 12''$ } When elevator capacities do not exceed 10,000 lb.

* $x = 11''$, $y = 15''$ } When elevator capacities exceed 10,000 lb.

$x = 9''$, $y = 14''$ } When wood guides are used.

$x = 11\frac{1}{2}''$ min., $16\frac{1}{2}''$ max. on one side when counterweight is located at side of car. $y = 2\frac{1}{2}''$

* *Note:-These figures are based upon car enclosure of normal weight. If extra heavy enclosures are contemplated, capacities will be reduced.*

FIG. 12.

10. Elevator Service.—The vital part that elevator service plays not only in the individual building, but in the daily life of the large city cannot better be brought out and emphasized than by setting forth the fact that on the island of Manhattan alone the 10,000 passenger elevators exclusive of residence installations, average over 100,000 miles of car travel per day, and handle about 10,000,000 people, or twice the number that all of the elevated railway, surface, and subway lines for all five New York City boroughs carry in 24 hr.

The measure of occupational or rental value of all building floor space lies in its immediate adaptability to the required purpose and in its accessibility, either for merchandise or people. Immediately the provision of floor space above or below street grade is contemplated, the question of accessibility becomes in part at least a matter of vertical transportation. From this it follows that the means of such vertical transportation must be studied as one of the vitally important elements in the successful exploiting of the property.

In a work of this character it is practical to give only an outline of the salient items to be considered in studying any elevator service problem. Every case will have its individual features and setting which will have strong bearing on the solution of that particular problem, and the cooperation of the capable and experienced expert in elevator service, if one is available, should be obtained.

10*a*. Freight Service.—Intelligent consideration of the subject in any given case demands that first a careful analysis be made of the transportating requirements. First must be determined how many tons of goods must be handled in the busiest period, and what will be the length of that period. What will be the largest bulk to be transported as a unit, is the next question, as well as how the major portion of the goods will be carried; *i.e.*, in individual units by hand, or on two or four wheeled trucks, together with the size and weight of the trucks considered.

If a comparatively small quantity only of goods must be handled, and that under conditions which do not render it necessary to consider time of any particular value, but little thought may be required to properly conclude that one elevator will meet all requirements. In this event, the size of the platform and the load capacity are governed entirely by the bulk and weight of the goods and their carriers—that is, baskets, trucks, wheeled bins, etc.—and provision

for the operator and any others who perhaps must accompany the goods. The car speed may be slow, for it is quite certain that no such leisurely condition will obtain in any but a small building of few stories.

A little more active service will require consideration as to the comparative merits, under the given circumstances, of a single larger and faster elevator, or two, each of lesser speed and capacity, but when combined capable of giving materially more than double the capacity of one alone, for in all probability workmen and others apart from those immediately concerned with the elevator will be retarded or speeded in their tasks according to the character of the elevator service.

The same reasoning applies with a still further increase in service requirements. Shall it be three large capacity elevators, or four, or even five smaller ones? And if the latter, need they have minimum, medium, or maximum freight type speed?

One elevator, of even medium size, conceivably may give adequate tonnage capacity, but due to excessive loading and unloading time for the *bulk* of the goods carried, the period between trips may be so long as to unduly handicap those charged with and dependent upon their transportation, while the *miscellaneous* service also must be considered. The introduction of the second elevator cuts this between trip period, or waiting interval, to less than half, for the loading and unloading time for each elevator, on account of the lesser loads, will be reduced, and the round trip time of the smaller elevator will be less than for the large one at the same car speed.

As the running time for the car, plus the loading and unloading time, including the hoistway door or gate time, or, in brief, the round trip time, divided by the number of elevators, gives the interval between departing cars, it follows that the number of elevators is a function not only of tonnage capacity, but of permissible or practical waiting interval, and this also must be considered in studying the individual elevator problem.

It should be clear, also, from the above, that under conditions of active service, maximum results are obtained with the minimum number of elevators by locating the elevators in a single group, rather than by attempting to favor different sections by separating the elevator units. With very large floor areas to be served, it may be found advisable to use two or more central groups.

If it can be arranged to handle the goods on four-wheel trucks, the round trip time will be materially reduced through the resultant shortening of the loading and unloading time, and the minimum number of elevators will be made possible. Under this condition the car platforms can be made suitable in size for one, two, or four trucks, and if the service will be active, by all means provide opposite openings on the cars, and traffic lanes on the floors, so that as one set of trucks goes off through one opening, another waiting set may come on through the other, without interference.

In the largest freight and terminal warehouses, goods are handled on trucks as above suggested, and where distances to and from the elevators are considerable, these trucks are made up into trains of from six to ten and hauled by small tractors. The tractors are rarely taken off their respective floors, greater profitable activity being maintained by keeping them off the elevators. Usually it works out that the greatest horizontal activity occurs on one or two levels, and being split up for the upper floors, is materially lighter there. Then if the horizontal runs do not exceed a maximum of 80 to 100 ft., the goods truck can be hauled advantageously by hand on the upper levels.

It is in service of this character, where heavily loaded industrial trucks are used, that the micro levelling equipment has its greatest value for freight work. It facilitates the on and off truck movement, thereby shortening the round trip time, and saves the car frame, platform, and guide fastenings from the excessive racking which would result, without the levelling device, from the impact of truck wheels dropping considerable distances from landings to the level of which the operator may have failed to bring the car platform.

Excepting for considerable rises, car speed is not a very large factor in the round trip time of a freight elevator. Speed suggestions are covered in Table 2 but in general, each case should be *studied* on the basis of two or more hypothetical speeds to determine the most advantageous one. Will an increase of 50 ft. per min. over a given speed result in sufficient additional round trips per minute on the part of each elevator to permit of the installation of one less in number? Or by retaining the same number, but at the higher speed, will the service be so much better that the saving in time of men and tools dependent upon elevator service will more than carry the interest and sinking fund on the increased investment?

To get the round trip time, figure twice the elevator rise, at the rated speed if not over 150 ft. per min., add about 10 sec. for each stop including the top and bottom landings served, plus the unloading and loading time at that landing. The load time, in or out, will vary from a minimum *average* of one second *each way* for a person to five seconds for a small truck and seven to ten for a large loaded truck. Goods not on trucks will take more time, according to bulk and weight.

TABLE 2.—SPEED SUGGESTIONS FOR PASSENGER SERVICE

Type of building or service	Floors	Type of elevator		
		Worm geared	Gearless traction	
		1 : 1 roping	2 : 1 roping	1 : 1 roping
		Speed F. P. M.	Speed F. P. M.	Speed F. P. M.
Residence	..	100		
Apartments—Middle class	..	200–250		
Apartments—High class	8	250–350		
Apartments—High class	Over 8	300	350–450	600
Apartments—Hotel—Middle class	..	250–350		
Apartments—Hotel—High class	8	350	350–450	
Apartments—Hotel—High class	Over 8	..	350–450	500–600
Hotels—Small—Commercial	8	250–350		
Hotels—Small—Commercial	Over 8	350	350–450	
Hotels—Large—Commercial	..	..	350–450	500–600
Hotels—Large—Select	..	..	..	500–600
Stores—Small city	..	200–300		
Stores—Large city	..	200–350	300–400	
Office—Small city	10	350		
Office—Large city	12	350	350–450	500–600
Office—Large city	16	..	..	600–700
Loft buildings	10	200–300		
Loft buildings	Over 10	350	350–450	500–600

What seems to be a natural tendency to make elevators unduly large should be guarded against. It wastes power to haul an unnecessarily large car and a corresponding counterweight, back and forth, in addition to the loss from tying up excessive capital. It should be borne in mind that in specifying a capacity, the purchaser does not have to make allowance for the weight of the car as it is universally understood that the specified or duty load is *net*. Also, if a reputable and capable builder is dealt with, the purchaser does not need to provide any safety margin, as the builder will see to it, for the sake of his own reputation, that the safety factors throughout are ample, although one builder may go farther than another in that direction.

Neither is it good business to provide an excess capacity in order to be able, *on rare occasions*, to handle some heavy piece of machinery. Better to get an elevator suitable for the normal service of the plant, and either dismantle any heavy machinery which must be handled thereon, if only very occasionally, or even to rig a block and fall for it.

The average freight elevator capacity is equal to a rate of 75 lb. per sq. ft. loading for the platform area, and only under exceptional conditions which are fixed with a fair degree of certainty for a very considerable time, as in incandescent lamp storage houses and other places where the goods are unusually light for their bulk, should the capacity be less than for a 60-lb. rating. Even though 40 lb. might serve the tenant's actual requirements, and his reason for wanting a large car be a good one, there is no sure means of preventing some one with poor judgment from grossly overloading when, figuratively speaking, the chief's back is turned. Further, today's tenant, a paper box dealer, may be replaced tomorrow by one who handles merchandise of more normal weight. From this it would seem prudent to provide at all times for at least normal or average service.

For industrial service of a heavy character, capacities should be figured on the basis of approximately 100 lb. per sq. ft. of car area.

10*b*. Speed of Freight Elevators.—Freight elevators now installed fall in two classes; viz., those with a rise of three stories or less, having an average speed of 50 ft. per min., and those having an average rise of five stories and travelling 100 ft. per min. If the actual car running time forms a considerable proportion of the total round trip time, including the time for loading, speed is of more importance and should get greater consideration than where any practical increase would make but a comparatively small percentage of change in the total period. In a general way the following speed figures apply. It is doubtful if as low a speed as 50 ft. per min. or half a mile an hour, is good practice for more than one

story rise, unless very heavy loads are to be lifted, and then only occasionally, and for three stories it should be at least 75 ft. per min. 100 ft. per min. is a fair speed for from four to six stories, in the ordinary industrial plant. While for more than five or six stories, 150 ft. per min. has been considered fair practice, many of the more modern manufacturing plants have installed as high as 450 ft. per min. freight elevators. If 150 ft. per min. or over, two speed motors should be used to facilitate fair stops. As pointed out elsewhere, if trucks are to be used and the service is heavy, it is good economy to install the micro levelling type of machine.

10c. Passenger Service.—The principles involved in selecting elevators for passenger service in different classes of buildings probably are best brought out by following them through for a large office building development. The average density of population of the general run of business buildings of the office type, if located in the busy section of large cities, is about 120 sq. ft. of floor area for each occupant. When one or two large concerns occupy a whole building, the population is quite sure to be more dense, running in some instances as high as one person to every 80 ft. of floor space. In the absence of more specific data for a given case, unless the building comes within the last suggested class, 110 ft. per person is a fairly safe guide.

Next to be considered is the rate of traffic flow at the busiest time of the day. Probably the peak periods are in the morning, at lunch time, and around five o'clock, and in the busiest buildings where tests have been made, the rate has been found to be such as to include the equivalent of the entire building population in 45 min. In other active buildings it has run from 50 to 60 min., which is also the period for the busy hotel. This is called the transportation period. In office buildings the actual period of greatest rush is from 15 to 20 min., during which time a number equal to one-third the building population is handled. With these figures, the probable rate of passenger traffic can be predetermined.

The next questions is that of proper interval between departing cars. Thirty seconds seems to be the *maximum* which can be considered as satisfactory service for an important building in a metropolitan city, and is as long as a busy man will wait contentedly after having just missed one car. In the best buildings the service is based upon intervals of from 25 to 27 sec.

The product of building population times interval, divided by the transportation period, gives the number of passengers which each car must carry in order to handle the people in the given time, or

$$\frac{\text{Population} \times \text{interval}}{\text{Transportation period}} = \text{number to be carried each trip}$$

If this formula gives a normal passenger capacity of more than 15, the assumed interval should be reduced, resulting in more and consequently smaller cars.

During the rush period, traffic is practically all in one direction, and stops for that direction will be made at most of the floors and at none on the return. This is if the cars are all runnng local for the full height of the building, and with this condition the average car speed for one direction will be about one-half of the rated speed, and ful speed in the other direction, or about two-thirds the rated speed as the average for the round trip. Add to the running time thus obtained 16 sec. for terminal slow downs and synchronizing with the other cars in the group, 5 sec. for each landing, including the first, for opening and closing the hoistway doors, and 3 sec. more each time if there is a car gate and it must be closed before the car will start, and 2 sec. for each passenger carried, as the total for getting on and off, and the total round trip time is obtained. This divided by the interval will give the *minimum* number of elevators necessary to maintain the schedule.

In very high buildings, it is usually found advantageous to divide the elevators into two groups or more, one group (in the case of two) serving all floors up to two or three floors above the middle, and another group running express to the last local stop, or to the first floor above it, and then local to the top. The division point should be such as to result in, as nearly as possible, the same round trip time for each group. The number of floors to be served by any one car should not exceed sixteen. On this basis of locals and expresses, each group must be considered alone as to passengers to be carried, interval, etc., and with the expresses, the average speed for the round trip will be greater than two-thirds the rated speed, as a greater proportion of the run will be made at full speed.

If one-third the round trip run is made as a local at half speed, and two-thirds as express at full speed, the average speed is derived thus:

$\frac{1}{3}$ of distance at $\frac{1}{2}$ speed = $\frac{2}{3}$ of full speed time.

$\frac{2}{3}$ of distance at full speed = $\frac{2}{3}$ of full speed time.

The sum is ⅓ the full speed time, the equivalent of which is the fraction inverted, or ¾ full speed as the round trip average.

For good office building service the car should not hold more than 15 people besides the operator, based upon 2 sq. ft. of clear area per passenger, and adding 4 sq. ft. for the operator, nor should it hold less than 11 passengers, even though the formula for capacity might indicate less. The machine should have a minimum capacity of 75 lb. per sq. ft. of platform area.

In the largest buildings, each group of elevators is stopped off at the topmost floor which it serves, thus keeping the cost down and conserving space on the floors above, but in the ordinary building it is wiser to run all elevators through to the top, and to make them in all cases as nearly uniform as possible.

The passenger service requirements in large first-class hotels is quite similar to that in office buildings. In the smaller office buildings and hotels, enough elevators to give service on a 30-sec. schedule at all times are seldom warranted on account both of the expense and space requirements, and a compromise therefore must be reached, based upon such planning as to sizes and location of the elevators installed as to insure the maximum of service from them.

In the larger buildings one or more extra elevators should be provided to allow for shut downs to make adjustments and repairs, and one or more should be adaptable as service elevators for handling freight, etc. Ash lifts also should be provided, of 1000 to 1500 lb. capacity and speed about 20 ft. per min.

For hotels, the service elevators, for handling the help, carrying up meals, etc., and handling freight, etc., will be required to do practically as much as the passenger elevators, and they cannot be slighted excepting at the expense of service, which is part of the hotel's stock in trade. In the largest hotels, elevators are set apart especially for freight service, and the service or employees' elevators are as large and fast, practically, as the guest elevators. Separate kitchen lifts, ash hoists, and ball and banquet room elevators are often provided.

Care should be taken to so locate hotel elevators as to be readily accessible and yet so that the passenger traffic shall not interfere with the other business of the lobby. Keep the guest elevators and the service elevators together in their respective groups. Unless more than six, they should be arranged side by side rather than on opposite sides of a corridor or alcove as is sometimes done. This last applies as well also to office building elevators.

10*d*. Speed of Passenger and Service Elevators.—Passenger and service elevators are running under the most efficient conditions when the car running time is about equal to that taken for opening and closing the doors and for the loading and unloading of passengers, and this occurs when the car carries passengers equal in number to ⅘ of the floors above the first which the elevator serves. However, it is not practical to limit the car area to this rating.

Table 2 gives a fair idea of suitable speeds for buildings of different classes and heights. It may be argued that even with fairly high rises, if the cars must stop at every floor, as in department stores for example, speed is unimportant. Within limits, however, this is not true, for an elevator capable of high speed will accelerate to medium speed appreciably quicker than a medium speed elevator will acquire its maximum, and, therefore, the full run will be made more quickly.

The department store probably advantageously uses a wider range of elevator equipment than perhaps any other class of enterprise.

First and most important are the passenger elevators, which must be sufficient in number to give a normal interval between cars as previously explained. This interval, for the best stores, should not *exceed* 45 sec. Large cars (50 to 55 sq. ft.) are advantageous in the handling of bargain crowds, etc., but there probably is no question but that more elevators with car areas approximating 40 sq. ft. will give more satisfactory service in the long run. The policy in the past has been to place the elevators in several groups, based on the theory of affording more or less special service for the several major sections of the stores, but recent experience seems to point to the advisability of concentrating in one centrally placed group, well away from the main entrances.

This arrangement will insure the greatest traverse in the aggregate of floor space by the customers, thereby bringing more counter displays to their attention, and it is obvious that the interval between cars will be reduced to one-half or one-third the best interval under the group arrangement. Shortening the interval reduces congestion, whereas increasing car sizes, by lengthening the round trip time, and, therefore, the interval, tends to increase congestion.

Service or employees' elevators should be treated on the same general principle as the passenger equipment, using approximately the same car areas and speeds.

Freight elevators, as distinct from service elevators, should be considered for handling the more bulky goods, including furniture, wheeled bins, trucks, baskets, etc. The freight speed should be from 150 to 250 ft. according to building height.

The passenger elevator service can be rendered much more efficient by eliminating service to the basement, and where this can be practically worked out by using escalators or fixed stairways, it is to be recommended.

In the largest modern stores, escalators have been found to be most efficient and popular adjuncts to the elevators. In addition to the regular passenger service, they are used to handle the bulk of the employees in the periods of arrival and departure.

Inclined elevators give good service between the basement and the street level, for handling the store trucks, etc.

The spiral conveyor is usually considered a very important part of the transportation scheme for delivering goods from the sales floors to the shipping room and also from the upper stock rooms to the different sales floors. The spiral conveyors from the sales floors are usually of the two spiral type, one spiral being for C. O. D. packages and the other spiral for charge packages. The spiral conveyors for the stock room service are usually provided with separate spirals for each sales floor and if such floors exceed three in number, an additional conveyor is provided, thus affording a spiral for each sales floor. At each of these floors an enclosure with a desk is built around the outlet of the conveyor and the clerk in charge is responsible for all goods sent down that particular spiral from the stock room. These spiral conveyors are usually of the enclosed type and for this service are generally 6 ft. 6 in. to 8 ft. 6 in. in diameter

If, as probable, the building has its own power plant, an ash hoist, either plunger or electric, should be installed from the boiler room to the sidewalk.

11. Elevator Motors.—A direct connected electric elevator machine should be equipped only with a motor designed and built especially for elevator service, which is more severe than practically any other excepting street car service, in that the motor must accelerate under full load.

Industrial motors, the ratings of which are based on their *speed* torque inasmuch as they acquire speed before the load is imposed, are rated higher than elevator motors, whose ratings are based on their *starting* torque, although the former may be actually capable of no greater, if as great, horsepower output in elevator service. This accounts for apparent discrepancies between statements as to motor sizes made by different elevator manufacturers, comparatively few of whom build their own motors or controllers.

The starting torque must be unusually high, with a minimum starting current, and for good control the speed variation between no load and full load also must be minimized.

A minimum power consumption is partially dependent upon a minimum heating condition, which cannot be obtained from an industrial motor inducted into elevator service.

Long armatures or rotors of minimum diameter should be used in order to keep down the kinetic energy of the revolving parts, which varies geometrically with the radius thereof.

A feature of the gearless traction machine lies in the fact that with the slow speed motor the efficiency is much higher with quarter and half load than in the case of the high speed motor. Consequently, as most elevator service is performed with only partial loads, power consumption for this slow speed type for equal service is materially reduced.

It should be pointed out here that in order to get the necessary torque with slow speed motors, the motor frame and fields are practically the equivalent of those which would be used for a motor having 4 or 5 times the rating, although the power consumption with the slow speed windings is materially less for the work done than with the high speed motor working through a worm and gear.

Alternating-current motors of both the slip ring or external resistance type, and squirrel cage or internal resistance type are used. While each type has its peculiar advantages, the slip ring has been the more universally used, partially on account of having a lesser starting current, and partially because of lesser speed variation under different loads, thus facilitating control.

With a-c. motors over 20 hp., it is preferable that only 600 r.p.m. motors be used in order to keep the kinetic energy of the motor and brake coupling as low as possible, while for smaller motors 900 r.p.m. may be used. Although a d-c. motor is more easily stopped as the result of the dynamic braking effect resulting from making a generator of it, only for 3 to 5 hp. should the speed exceed 800 r.p.m.

If squirrel cage motors are contemplated, ascertain the relation of starting to running current, and get the sanction of the power company, based upon the figures given. An excess of one over the other is apt to overtax their regulating capacity.

Single phase alternating current is not at all suitable for heavy electric elevator service, although successful residence and other light service installations have been made of this type. Only an elevator type motor should be used and the power company must be consulted regarding starting and running current figures, before commitment.

12. Voltage.—220 is the preferable voltage, 110 requiring too much copper to handle the amperage and 500 being less desirable on account of insulation troubles. 500 volts must not be run for the push button circuits in connection with automatic elevators, on account of the fire hazard. Batteries, which are not altogether successful, or small motor generator sets which are expensive, must be used to obtain the proper voltage for the door lock and button circuits, if only a 500 volt power supply can be had.

If possible, avoid taking elevator power from trolley circuits. These are usually 500 volts and have a ground connection, with the result that grounds in the elevator lines are difficult to control. Also the voltage usually fluctuates excessively.

It is vital to the proper functioning of the controller and the efficiency of the machine that the voltage be maintained as nearly constant as possible. If the range of variation exceeds 10% above or below normal rated voltage, special potential compensating magnets should be provided on the controller.

13. Feed Wires.—Feed wires should be run in conduit, and trouble will be avoided by permitting no dips or "U" sections in which water can collect from condensation. A fused wall switch should be placed in the line near the motor or controller, so that the entire machine may be cut off from power when being worked upon or when not in use. Some local regulations require lightning arresters and phase reversal switches, as well as a fused cut out, in addition to the wall switch, and at the meter end of the line. Feed wires should be ample in size, particularly if long, so that the drop in voltage may not be enough to reduce the motor efficiency materially.

14. Horsepower.—The following is a rough method of ascertaining the required horsepower for an elevator motor. This is given merely as an aid in ascertaining total power requirements for a given building.

Assuming a counterweight overbalance of 35 to 45% of the rated load, the net horsepower output required of the elevator motor will be 60 to 65 % of the rated load, at the rated speed. The line to load efficiency of a worm geared machine varies from 45 to 55%, and of a gearless traction from 65 to 75%. For this purpose use 45 and 65 as maximum figures to be divided into the net output in order to arrive at the motor sizes.

15. Elevator Safeties.—Sidewalk and plunger elevators, as well as carriage and automobile elevators of one story travel and having their platforms suspended from each of the four corners, are installed without guide grip safeties. All others should be equipped with such safeties.

All safeties should be designed to grip the two *sides* of the rails, in order to avoid as far as possible the spreading action which results from engaging the *face* of the rail. All safeties should be mounted underneath the car, as explained in the reference to car frames.

The broken rope safety, one of the earliest types, operates only when the lifting ropes break, normally the pull of the ropes keeping it from going into service. This type is suitable only for low speeds and rises, and unimportant service with wood car guides.

Governor actuated safeties operate when the governor trips as the result of excessive down speed. Governors are set for speeds sufficiently in excess of the rated car speed to prevent annoyance from frequent operation in regular service, and governor and safety parts should be examined frequently to insure their being kept in free working condition.

There are two types of safeties in this class—*instantaneous* and *gradual stop*. The first is used only with steel guide rails. With the tripping of the governor a corrugated steel roll, which is carried in a wedge shaped pocket in a steel safety shoe located just below the platform and one on each rail, is lifted to a point where the converging wall of the pocket forces it to engage the rail. As the other side of the shoe is against the opposite side of the rail, the roll jams on the rail and the car stops without any slide. This type should never be used for more than 150 ft. car speed, on account of the shock from the abrupt stop.

There are several types of easy stop safeties. The safety used on wood rails, which consists essentially of saw-toothed dogs arranged to grip each rail, on both sides of it, naturally plough their way for some distance through the wood before car movement ceases. This ruins the sections of guide where the engagement occurs, and new sections must be inserted.

For use on steel rails, a common form which is known as the *wedge clamp safety* is designed to save both the apparatus and the passengers from the disrupting strains of instantaneous stops from high speeds. A pair of fulcrummed steel jaws rides normally with the jaw faces just clearing the rail sides. When the governor trips, the action of the descending car is utilized to force a wedge between the power ends of each pair of jaws, with the result that the latter grip the rails with a force which increases as the car descends, until a stopping force has been exerted. With different makes, different methods of wedge application are utilized, but the main principle is always the same—*i.e.*, a resistance which increases as the car speed decreases.

Flexible Guide Clamp Safety.—As pointed out, the unmodified instantaneous stop of the roll safety cannot be considered in connection with high speeds, while on the other hand the wedge clamp safety is comparatively slow in applying an effective stopping grip, with the result that its stop is a long one.

The flexible guide clamp safety combines in a measure the quick action of one and the

slide feature of the other, and accomplishes a quicker stop than the wedge clamp, without being too abrupt for safety regardless of the initial car speed.

The principle of operation is in part like that of the standard roll type. However, instead of the thrust of the rail against the roll being taken by a solid shoe, it is eventually taken by a heavy coiled spring. The safety shoe is made in two sections, fulcrummed as with the wedge type. The spring is placed in compression between the arms, and as the roll reacts against the side of its retaining pocket in the shoe the further compression of the spring, while preventing a solid engagement, provides sufficient friction first to retard and then to stop the car. The spring pressure is adjusted when the safety is built, to afford sufficient pressure to give the quickest slide stop which can be made with safety from the service speed. This type is suitable for all speeds of over 100 ft. per min.

Safeties are installed on counterweights which for unavoidable reasons run above rooms or passages, and also on some high speed gearless traction elevator counterweights. Double sets of car safeties, using two sets of guide rails, are not advocated, on account, aside from the expense, of the difficulty of getting them to operate simultaneously.

Another, or special type of safety, is known as the *retarder* type. This type is seldom used excepting as a terminal emergency feature in connection with very high rise traction elevators. In such cases, with the great rope lengths there may be sufficient tractive effort exerted, even after the counterweight has bottomed, to lift the car, already in motion, beyond the normal upper travel limit. In such cases special retarders are installed, which engage and slow down the member—car or counterweight—which is running by the terminal. As the car or counterweight after engaging the retarders actually rests on same, it cannot fall back to take up the slack cable until released under competent supervision.

The retarders consist each of two plates, with pins passing through them and so placed that very soft wires of great tensile strength and about $\frac{3}{16}$-in. diameter which are passed between the plates must bend alternately in opposite directions to pass the pins. The resultant friction becomes the retarding feature. The wires, which vary in number with the conditions, are stretched taut between substantial anchorages, and means for resetting the retarder plates provided. Latches or dogs, mounted below the car platform, are arranged to engage the retarder plates when the device comes into service. If used for other than terminal devices, the wires are stretched from top to bottom of the hoistway, the retarder plates are located at frequent intervals, and the engaging dogs are actuated by a speed governor.

Air cushions are developed by enclosing the lower section of the hoistway so that the air cannot escape as fast as a falling car compresses it, with a resultant cushioning effect. Usually the hoistway walls to the height of the cushion are of masonry, the height varying from a quarter to a third of the car travel, and one wall is battered, providing greater escapement space at the top than at the bottom, where the car fits closely. The doors and door frames must be unusually substantial, as well as all of the surrounding walls, and the car bottom also must be made capable of withstanding the developed air pressure.

Speed governors for actuating the safeties are usually of the centrifugal type, some working against gravity and others against springs.

There should be at least three tripping points in one revolution of the governor wheel so that safety operation may occur as soon as possible after excess car speed is reached.

For high car speeds it is preferable to use a governor which, instead of having fixed tripping points, will function at any period of its revolution where excess speed occurs. Inasmuch as with high speeds even a partial revolution of the governor wheel may be equivalent to a very considerable car speed acceleration, the importance of the "360-degree service governor" is readily apparent.

Drum machines are provided with *terminal stop motion devices* or switches mounted on the extended drumshaft. This extension is threaded and a loose nut travels on the threads as the drum revolves, being itself kept from turning with the shaft by a yoke which is weighted sufficiently to overcome the friction of the thread. At points corresponding to either terminal or car travel, the traveling nut engages a fixed nut or stop, and the whole yoke revolves, actuating the stopping switches. Under special conditions this may be used with traction drive, but it is not used under ordinary circumstances, as the loss of traction following an over run eliminates its necessity. Slow down and *terminal stopping switches*, however, are used with the traction type, mounted either on the car or in the hoistway and opened by the car when the

latter approaches or reaches either terminal. These are for service in case the car switch should be held open.

Drum machines are provided with a *slack cable device* or switch designed to stop the machine if cables slacken from any cause.

All electric elevators should be provided with a safety switch in the car, the opening of which should cut off power and apply the brake. The wiring for this should be run in a separate conduit, and a separate traveling cable used to the car, in order that the possibility of failure to function through short circuiting through other lines may be minimized.

With high speeds, governor switches for slowing down the machine, before the tripping speed is reached, are used, and a final contact cuts off all power when the governor trips.

Also with high speed equipment of the gearless traction type an *emergency wheel* or *lever* is sometimes provided in the car to enable the operator to throw in the safety grips.

With rope control, a device should be provided on the car for locking the hand rope while the car is being loaded. Stops are provided on the rope at the various floor levels for engaging the lock. This device should not be used, as it sometimes is, for stopping the elevator.

Terminal buffers are installed below both the car and counterweight. These should be of the spring type for freight and medium speed passenger elevators, and are placed in the pit. For high speed elevators they are of the collapsing oil type, the car buffer being placed in the pit and the counterweight buffer being suspended from the counterweight itself, utilizing its weight for counterbalance and permitting a gravity return to the open position. The car buffer has a spring return.

The brakes on the machine should be of the electric type and the *release* should be accomplished by power. Power cut off or failure results in the application of the brake shoe by powerful coiled springs which have been compressed by the lifting of the brake.

Compensating ropes or chains are used with high rise elevators to equalize the weight of the great length of cable in the hoistway and keep the machine load constant.

16. Elevator Accessories.—Adequate enclosures or protection of the shaft must be provided, and in most localities these must be fireproof.

Doors or gates give access to the elevator itself. With fireproof shafts the doors may be either swing or vertical or horizontal sliding. These usually must be arranged to be opened only from the shaft side excepting by key. Frequently electric contacts or "interlocks" are provided in connection with the doors or gates in order that the car may not be run with any shaft opening unprotected. These are a legal requirement in many localities. If there are no doors, or if they are to be kept open during the day (held by fusible link retainers), hoistway gates must be provided. While local regulations vary, the average practice is to provide gates 5 ft. 6 in. high, with 6 in. under the bottom rail and about 2 in. between vertical members. Gates may be of the semi-automatic type, being raised by hand and closed automatically by gravity as the car leaves the landing. The gates are usually counterbalanced. Full automatic gates operated entirely by the car action are not deemed good practice excepting for terminal floors.

There is a type of vertical sliding door which serves both as fire protection and in lieu of a gate. Solid horizontal hatch covers are sometimes used with elevators up to approximately 40-ft. speed. These are opened and closed automatically by car action. They are not suitable with steel guides as a section of the car guide must be carried on the underside of the door which opens till it stands vertically in a recess in the guide post, forming practically a section of the post.

Gratings of substantial construction should be provided below all overhead work, to be used as working floors. A common practice is to carry an overhead machine on a concrete slab which is slotted for the cables. This usually eliminates the necessity for a grating. Fire laws do not always permit the slab construction.

Counterweight screens should be provided to a height of 6 ft. above the pit bottom, in order that no one working in the pit may walk under the descending weight.

Car enclosures may be provided to suit the purchaser. They are generally of metal for passenger service excepting in residences, and the purchaser usually specifies what he desires to have allowed for this feature. Freight car enclosures may be of wood, wire mesh, or sheet steel, and should be 6 ft. high if they do not extend to crosshead. If trucks are used, the steel wainscot is best. Wire tops should always be provided to protect car occupants from falling articles.

A *car light* should always be provided.

Spare Parts.—It is well to carry a supply of those parts most subject to replacement, such as contacts, springs, resistance tubes, fuses, packing, cylinder and valve cups, etc., unless the elevator maker maintains a local storeroom.

Lubricants.—There is a best lubricant for each of the several major parts of the installation, such as motor bearings, main and sheave bearings, worm gears and guides, and a supply of these should be maintained. Ropes wear longer if proper lubricant is systematically applied.

Cables.—Cables should be as small in diameter as an ample safety factor (not *less* than 6 for freight and 8 for passenger work) will permit, on account of the greater flexibility. However, the diameter should be not less than ½ in. Rope manufacturers make a special traction cable designed to give greater wear under conditions of traction service. In cable replacements care should be taken to use cable of at least as great tensile strength as the maker installed originally. If steel cables were installed, a plate on the car crosshead usually so indicates.

17. Inspection.—It is important that all working parts be frequently and thoroughly inspected, and especially the cables, governor, and car safeties, slack cable and car safety switches, limits, etc., and actually tested out as far as is practical. The larger companies maintain a regular inspection service.

18. Systems of Cabling.—There are two systems of cabling electric elevators, these being the direct hitch and the 2 to 1. The first needs no description. With the 2 to 1 a sheave is mounted in the car crosshead and on the top of the counterweight and the respective cables are carried below these and back to a dead end hitch on the overhead beams. This method of cabling doubles the lifting capacity of a given motor and halves the car speed. It is more efficient than a gear reduction. No additional counterweighing is required.

19. Signal Systems.—Signal systems adequate for the service, are essential for the advantageous utilization of any elevator equipment.

An annunciator, with a single set of "drops" or indications, one "drop" for each floor, and a call button alongside each landing door, is satisfactory for the single low and medium rise freight or passenger elevator. The operator resets the annunciator by lifting a reset rod.

With high rise equipment it is advantageous to use a double row of indications, one registering calls for the up trip and the other for the down. With this the operator while on the up trip does not lose time by stopping for down signals. A double button is used on the landing.

With two or more cars in a bank, the latter type is used, but the several annunciators are so synchronized, through a master control located overhead and connected to all the elevators, that a given call is registered in all cars travelling in the required direction, and is automatically cancelled in all cars when any car answers it. If the first car to pass the call floor cannot stop for any reason, the call remains registered in the other cars. For hotels and high-class office buildings, miniature lights are used instead of the "drops" for the indications. This is known as the *hotel flash system.*

With banks of four or more elevators when full trips only are run, and on schedule, the car or operator's signal may advantageously consist of a single full sized colored light which operates exactly as does the annunciator, excepting that instead of distinguishing between floors it registers by flashing about 1½ stories ahead of the call floor and at the same time a light flahes over the landing door of the first elevator to approach the call floor in the desired direction. This is called the *flash light system.*

Both systems are frequently installed, the flash light alone being used during the busy hours, and the other for light service, when cars are running more or less on call rather than on signal. One set of landing buttons serves for both systems. The flash light should not be installed alone, as it does not permit the car to be run on call. Indicator dials are installed on the main floor, for guiding the starter, or the waiting passengers if no starter. If indicators are desired on the several floors as well, the clock dial type is very effective as it affords visible evidence of car movement. More than four dials cannot be quickly read and should not be used.

SECTION 11

MECHANICAL REFRIGERATION

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1. British Thermal Unit.—The unit for measuring heat is known as the British thermal unit, or briefly, the B.t.u. It is that amount of heat which is required to raise the temperature of one pound of water one degree Fahrenheit.

2. Specific Heat.—The specific heat of a substance is the ratio of the number of B.t.u. required to raise the temperature of 1 lb. of the substance 1 deg. F., to that required to raise the temperature of 1 lb. of water 1 deg. F.

3. Latent Heat.—The latent heat of a substance is the number of B.t.u. required to change the state of 1 lb. of the substance without changing the temperature. Thus the *latent heat of freezinq* of a substance is the number of B.t.u. required to change 1 lb. of the substance from a liquid state to a frozen state at the same temperature. Also the *latent heat of vaporization* of a substance is the number of B.t.u. required to change 1 lb. of the substance from a liquid state to a vaporous state at the same temperature.

4. Measurement of Refrigerating Effect.—The commercial unit of refrigeration is the *ton of refrigeration* and is the number of B.t.u. required to melt (not manufacture) one ton (2000 lb.) of pure solid ice. Since the latent heat of ice is 144, the *ton of refrigeration* is equal to 2000 $\times$ 144 = 288,000 B.t.u. As all refrigerating calculations are made on a 24-hr. basis, the ton of refrigeration per day is equal to 12,000 B.t.u. per hr., or 200 B.t.u. per min., and as 1 B.t.u. is equal to 778 foot pounds and 0.293 watt hours, the ton of refrigeration is also equal to the heat given off by consuming $\frac{(12{,}000)\ (778)}{(33{,}000)\ (60)} = 4.71$ horsepower-hours and $\frac{(12{,}000)\ (0.293)}{1{,}000} = 3.51$ kilowatt-hours. These last two equivalents are useful in providing for heat given off by machinery, lights, etc.

5. Rating of Refrigerating Machines.—A refrigerating machine is rated by the number of tons of refrigeration it is capable of extracting in 24 hr. at a given pressure range and a given temperature of the condensing water. The usual rating is for 15.65 lb. suction pressure, 185 lb. discharge pressure, and 60 deg. F. condensing water.

A refrigerating machine sometimes is listed in terms of its ice making capacity, but as the refrigerating capacity varies from 1.7 to 2 times the ice making capacity, depending upon the temperature of the water to be frozen and other variables, this term should be used with caution.

6. Refrigerating Mediums.—There are two main refrigerating mediums commercially used: *ammonia* (NH_3) and carbon dioxide (CO_2). These substances are chosen because the latent heat of vaporization of each of them is high and because the liquefaction point of each is low.

Of the two substances, ammonia is the most widely used. Its liquefaction point is very low which permits the use of discharge pressure of from 150 to 210 lb. and its latent heat of vaporization is the higher of the two substances. Ammonia is also soluble in water, which makes possible the absorption system of refrigeration. The principal objection to ammonia is the offensive odor which it has and which is annoying when leaks occur.

Carbon dioxide machines are used quite frequently where small compact machines are required, but as the boiling point of carbon dioxide is relatively high, it is necessary to have the machines designed for exceptionally high pressures. Carbon dioxide has the advantage of having no objectional odor.

Suphur dioxide is sometimes used beause the machines operate at a low condensing pressure, but the latent heat of vaporization for sulphur dioxide is about one-third that of ammonia.

7. Systems of Refrigeration.—There are two commercial systems of refrigeration in use: the *compression* system and the *absorption* system. The compression system is the more widely used. Both systems require water to extract the heat from the refrigerating medium.

7a. Compression System.—The *compression system* is composed of the following parts: the compressor, the condenser, the liquid receiver, and the expansion coils.

The *compressor* is a machine similar to an air compressor and is driven in the same manner. The average machine is designed to run at a speed of about 75 revolutions per minute. There are, however, machines known as high speed machines which operate at about 225 r.p.m. The purpose of the compressor is to compress the gas.

The *condenser* is a coil of pipes (usually of 2-in. pipe) 12 pipes high and 20 ft. long. In the atmospheric type of condenser (Fig. 1), water trickles over the pipes, and in the double pipe condenser (Fig. 2), the gas is passed through the outer annular space while the cooling water is passed through the central pipe. An atmospheric condenser 12 pipes high and 20 ft. long under average conditions is good for 10 tons of refrigeration. It is not economical to make condensers more than 12 pipes high. The purpose of the condenser is to remove the heat from the gas and to change the state of the substance from a gaseous to a liquid state.

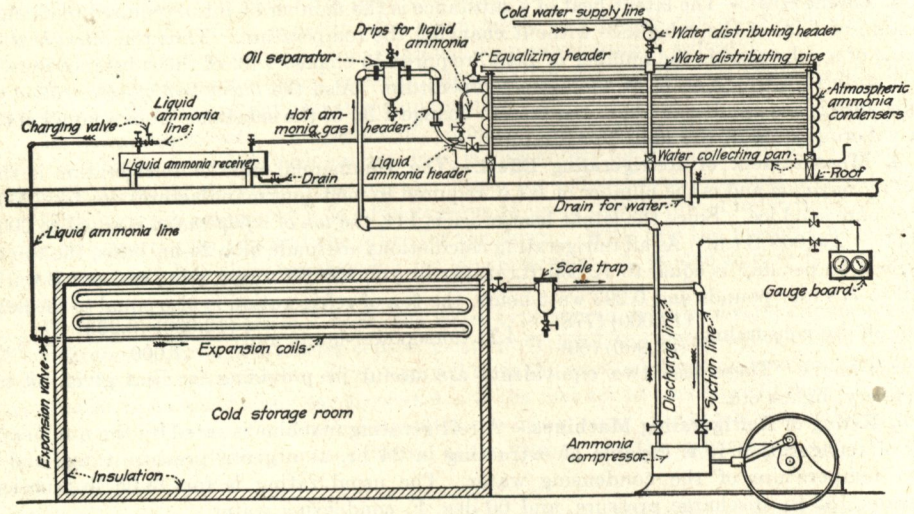


FIG. 1.—Cycle of operation of ammonia compression system of refrigeration.

The *liquid receiver* (Figs. 1 and 2) is a horizontal cylindrical drum which is used as a reservoir for the storage of the liquid refrigerating medium.

The *expansion coils* (Figs. 1 and 2) are the pipe coils in the rooms or other places where the cooling effect is desired and through which the refrigerating medium is circulated. These are usually of 1½ or 2-in. pipe.

The cycle of operation of an ammonia compression system is shown in Fig. 1, and is as follows: The ammonia gas enters the compressor at a low pressure, say 15 lb., and is there compressed to say 185 lb. In compressing the gas, heat is added to it. The gas then passes through an oil separator which removes the oil that is absorbed in passing through the compressor. It then passes through the condenser. In the condenser, the cool water passing over the pipes removes enough heat from the vapor to change it to a liquid state. The liquid ammonia thus formed then flows into the liquid receiver. This much of the system is what is known as the high pressure side of the system.

The liquid is then passed through an expansion valve to the expansion coils. In passing the expansion valve, the pressure is reduced from 185 lb. to 15 lb. In reducing the pressure 150 lb., the temperature of the liquid is reduced from 95 to 0 deg. F. The cold liquid in the expansion coils, being at a low pressure, boils away to a gas, absorbing the heat from the surrounding medium. This gas is then returned to the compressor thus completing the cycle of operation.

In operating the system, the discharge pressure is governed by the condensing water and the suction pressure is governed by the temperature desired in the rooms. If a 15 deg. difference of temperature is desired between the cooling medium and the air in a room and it is desired to keep this room at 15 deg. F., the temperature of the ammonia should be 0 deg. F. By referring to tables giving the properties of ammonia, it will be noted that 0 deg. F. corresponds to a pressure of 15.65 lb. Thus the suction pressure should be 15.65 lb. After the expansion valve has been regulated to give the proper supply of ammonia to the coils, the control of the entire system is dependent on operating the compressor to maintain this suction pressure. Fig. 1 shows the various pieces of apparatus and the cycle of operation of the compression system.

Some of the advantages of the compression system of refrigeration are: (1) the use of steam is not necessarily required as a compressor can be operated by gas engine, oil engine, steam engine, or by electric motors; and (2) it is economical in operation, and very high efficiencies can be obtained where economical power is available.

The chief disadvantage the system has is the difficulty of obtaining economically, temperatures below about 0 deg. F.

7b. Absorption System.—The *absorption system* of refrigeration is composed of the following parts: the generator, the rectifier, the exchanger, the condenser, the liquid re-

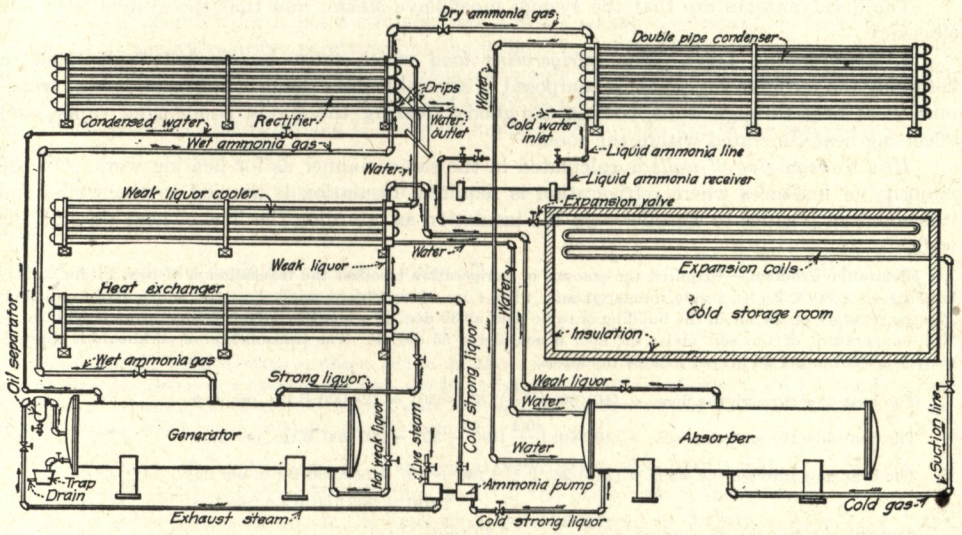


FIG. 2.—Cycle of operation of ammonia absorption system of refrigeration.

ceiver, the expansion coils, and the absorber. The absorption system uses only ammonia as a refrigerant because of its solubility in water.

The condenser, liquid receiver, and expansion coils of the two systems are identical, perform the same functions, and have the same relation to one another. With the compression system, the compressor is the heart of the system; in the same way, the absorber is the heart of the absorption system.

The *absorber* is a horizontal cylindrical drum built like a horizontal tubular boiler. Cooling water passes through the tubes and cools the liquid surrounding them, the liquid being a weak mixture of water and ammonia, termed *weak liquor*. The gas from the expansion coils is brought into the absorber at the bottom through a perforated pipe and is allowed to bubble up through the weak liquor. The ammonia gas in bubbling up through the weak liquor is absorbed by it. The liquid is thus enriched by the addition of ammonia and is now termed *strong liquor*. This strong liquor is pumped out of the absorber by means of an *ammonia pump*, the only moving part of the system. This pump is a steam-driven piston pump much like a boiler-feed pump. The strong liquor passes from the pump through a set of double pipe coils called an *exchanger*. Here the cold strong liquor in one pipe on its way to the generator, absorbs some of the heat from the hot weak liquor in the other pipe leaving the generator, and becomes warm. The warm strong liquor then passes to the generator. The *generator* is another horizontal cylindrical drum having a set of stream coils suspended in it. Exhaust steam from the ammonia pump or from

other sources is passed through this set of coils and the heat of the steam is utilized in heating the strong liquor surrounding the coils. A large part of the ammonia in the liquor and part of the water is thus turned into vapor, forming a hot wet gas, and leaving behind a hot weak liquor. The hot weak liquor is first passed through the exchanger as before mentioned and is then passed through a *weak liquor cooler* which is another set of double pipes through which water circulates as the cooling medium. The weak liquor is then passed to the absorber completing that cycle of operation.

The hot wet gas is taken from the generator through a set of pipe coils arranged with drip connections on several of the pipes. This apparatus is called the *rectifier*. Its purpose is to remove the water vapor contained in the gas. Over the pipes is passed cooling water which cools the gas sufficiently to condense the water vapor. This condensed water is carried away at the drip connections and brought back to the generator. The dry hot ammonia gas then passes to the ammonia condensers and from there to the liquid receiver and expansion coils to the absorber, thereby completing the cycle of operation. The control of the entire system is based on regulating the speed of the ammonia pump.

Fig. 2 shows the various pieces of apparatus and the two cycles of operation in the absorption system.

The advantages of the system are: (1) simplicity of control—requiring very little attention; (2) advantageous utilization of exhaust steam which is often an important factor; and (3) the ease with which low temperatures can be obtained.

The disadvantages are that the system must have steam, and that the system is of low efficiency.

8. Refrigerating Load.—The *refrigerating load* which must be carefully calculated in designing the refrigerating plant, is composed of several factors the principal ones being: transmission of heat through walls, cooling the goods, freezing the goods, condensing vapor, and offsetting heat generated within the room.

Heat transmission of walls is calculated in the same manner as for heating work. In the majority of instances where refrigeration is required, insulation is applied to the walls, and it is common practice to consider only the insulation as retarding the flow of heat through the wall.

Illustrative Problem.—Required the amount of refrigeration to offset the transmission of heat into a 2-story building 40 × 80 × 24 ft., inside measurements, with 4 in. of corkboard applied to the walls, roof, and floor. The temperature of the air in the building is to be held at 30 deg. F. when the outside temperature is 90 deg. F. The temperature of the soil under the floor is considered 55 deg. F. The transmission of corkboard is approximately 6.4 B.t.u. per 24 hr. per inch of thickness.

The heat flow through the floor $= (40)(80)\left(\frac{6.4}{4}\right)(55 - 30) = 128{,}000$ B.t.u. per day.

The heat flow through the roof $= (40)(80)\left(\frac{6.4}{4}\right)(90 - 30) = 307{,}200$ B.t.u. per day.

The heat flow through the walls $= (240)(24)\left(\frac{6.4}{4}\right)(90 - 30) = 552{,}960$ B.t.u. per day.

Total $= 988{,}160$ B.t.u. per day.

Amount of refrigeration required $= \frac{988{,}160}{288{,}000} = 3.43$ tons

In providing refrigeration to *cool goods*, the specific heat and the weight of the goods must be considered.

Illustrative Problem.—Required the amount of refrigeration to cool 800 crates of eggs in one day from 75 to 33 deg. F.

One crate of eggs weighs 70 lb. and the specific heat of eggs is 0.76. The amount of refrigeration $= (800)(70)(0.76)(75 - 33) = 1{,}787{,}520$ B.t.u. $=$

$$\frac{1{,}787{,}520}{288{,}000} = 6.206 \text{ tons.}$$

Where it is necessary to *freeze the goods*, the latent heat of freezing as well as the specific heat above and below freezing must be considered.

Illustrative Problem.—Required the amount of refrigeration to cool in one day's time, 100 hogs weighing 250 lb. each, from 80 to 15 deg. F.

From tables, the specific heat above freezing = 0.51, the specific heat below freezing = 0.30, and the latent heat of freezing = 55.

B.t.u. required to cool goods to freezing point $= (100)(250)(0.51)(80 - 32) = 612{,}000$

B.t.u. required to freeze goods $= (100)(250)(55) = 1{,}375{,}000$

B.t.u. required to cool goods from 32 to 15 deg. F. $= (100)(250)(0.3)(32 - 15) = 127{,}000$

Total $= 2{,}114{,}500$

Amount of refrigeration required $= \frac{2{,}114{,}500}{288{,}000} = 7.34$ tons.

To calculate the amount of refrigeration required to *condense moisture* out of air, the designer should have available a psychrometric chart. A very convenient chart for this work is made by the Carrier Engineering Corporation of New York City. When 1 lb. of moisture is condensed to water, approximately 1100 B.t.u. are given up by the vapor. Thus, if a quantity of air is to be cooled below its saturation point, the heat given off by the vapor condensed must be absorbed by the refrigerating coils.

Illustrative Problem.—Required the amount of refrigeration to cool in 1 hr. 100,000 cu. ft. of air from 85 deg. F. and 70% humidity to 15 deg. F.

The amount of moisture in air at 85 deg. F. and 70% saturation as shown by charts or tables, is 1.273 lb. per 1000 cu. ft. Air at 15 deg. F. and 100% saturation is found to contain 0.14 lb. per 1000 cu. ft. There must therefore be condensed (1.133)(100) = 113.3 lb. of water which will require (113.3)(1100) = 124,630 B.t.u. The specific heat of air is 0.237. The weight of air at the average temperature of 50 deg. F. is 0.078 lb. per cu. ft. Thus, the heat given up by cooling the air = (100,000)(0.237)(0.078)(85 − 15) = 129,402 B.t.u. The amount of refrigeration needed is thus

$$\frac{124{,}630 + 129{,}402}{12{,}000} = 21.17 \text{ tons}$$

For very accurate work such as is required in the laboratory, calculations should be based on the weight of the air instead of the volume, and as the curve showing the ratio between temperature and weight of air is not a straight line, it is not absolutely accurate to take the weight of the air at the average temperature, but the method as outlined here is one that is used by many designers. In fact, the value of 0.018 is commonly taken as the heat extracted in lowering the temperature of 1 cu. ft. of air regardless of the temperature.

Heat generated within a room is easily accounted for by the use of the power equivalent for one ton of refrigeration.

One hundred 50-watt lamps in a room will require $\frac{100 \times 50}{1000} = 5$ kw. per hr. or $\frac{5}{3.51} =$ 1.42 tons.

One 16-candlepower incandescent lamp gives off	160 B.t.u. per hr.
One gas light gives off approximately	3600 B.t.u. per hr.
One workman gives off approximately	500 B.t.u. per hr.

In commercial practice, many engineers add to the above mentioned loads for refrigeration, which are easily figured, a percentage to cover opening of doors, cracks, and often for lights and laborers in rooms. The percentage which should be added varies with the kind of work and with the engineer making the calculations. It is, however, safe to say that in most instances it varies from 10 to 25%.

9. Methods of Application of Mechanical Refrigeration.—Refrigeration is applied in two ways: (1) the direct expansion system, and (2) the brine circulating system.

In the *direct expansion system* the expansion coils are placed in the rooms as in Figs. 1 and 2. The liquid ammonia is expanded in them and allowed to boil away, absorbing heat from the air surrounding the pipes. This system is used where very low temperatures are desired, and where a flexible system is not necessary. Ice storage houses, sharp freezers, and meat boxes are usually provided with the direct expansion system. The greatest objection to the system is that the cooling effect of the ammonia stops as soon as the compressor stops.

In the *brine circulating system* the ammonia is allowed to expand into a cylindrical drum called a brine cooler. Coils, through which brine is pumped, are placed in the drum. The ammonia in boiling away, absorbs the heat from the brine. The brine is then pumped through pipes arranged in the room the same as for the direct expansion system. The great advantage this system has is in its flexibility. Due to the body of brine which is cold, if for any reason it is necessary to stop the compressor, refrigeration can be obtained for several hours by circulating the brine. There must be a certain range of temperature between the ammonia and the brine, and another range between the brine and the air in the room in order to transfer heat. Thus, it is not possible to obtain as low a temperature in the room with this system as can be obtained with the direct expansion system. This system is used particularly in cold storage plants, and places where very perishable goods are kept, in creamery machinery, and for ice cream making machinery.

10. Proportioning of Cooling Surface.—The correct proportioning of the cooling surface and the arrangement of the cooling coils in the room, is as important as calculating the refrigerating load. Even though the compressor is large enough to provide for the load, if the cooling coils are not ample or properly located, the results will not be satisfactory. In general, pipe in still air with a 12-deg. range in temperature, will transfer 2 B.t.u. per hr. per sq. ft., per 1 deg. F. difference between the temperature of the air and the temperature of the cooling medium. Where pipe is submerged in a liquid, as is the case where coils are located in the brine of an ice making tank, the heat transfer value is about 25 B.t.u.

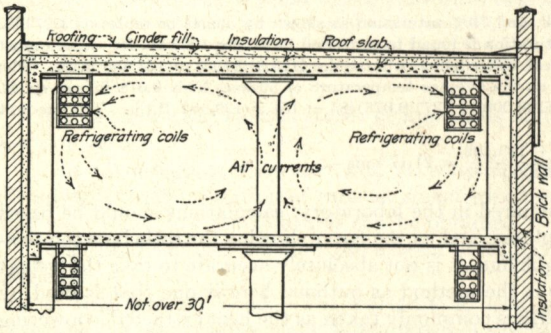


FIG. 3.—Arrangement of refrigerating coils for rooms not over 30 ft. wide.

After the heat transfer value of the pipe is determined, the range of temperature that will be used between the medium cooled and the cooling medium is decided. The greater this range is, the lower the suction pressure must be, and consequently, the greater amount of power will be required; on the other hand, the greater the range, the smaller the amount of pipe required. The amount of pipe to use and the range of temperature to use, therefore, is determined by good judgment of economical considerations. For temperatures in a room of over 20 deg. F., a temperature range of 15 deg. is used; for temperatures of between 10 and 20 deg F., a range of 10 deg. is used; and from minus 10 deg. F. to plus 10 deg. F., or even lower, a range of 5 deg. is used.

In laying out the arrangement of coils in the rooms, the designer should bear in mind that cold air is heavier than warm air. For this reason, the coils should be so located that a natural

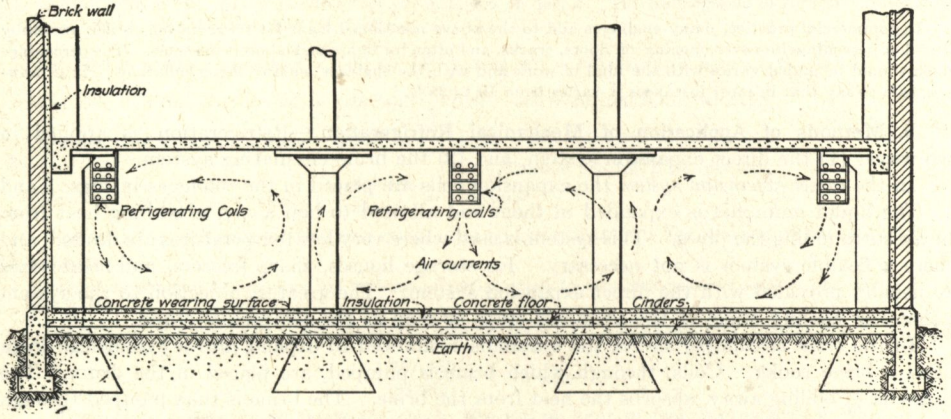


FIG. 4.—Arrangement of refrigerating coils for rooms over 30 ft. wide.

circulation of the air is obtained. In general, coils should never be located on the four sides of a room, as by such an arrangement the natural circulation of the air is stopped. The same amount of pipe placed in coils on the two opposite sides of a room will give far better results, as by such an arrangement the air will flow down the walls, along the floor, up the center of the room, and along the ceiling to the wall (see Fig. 3). If the room is more than 30 ft. wide, there should be coils located near the center of the room as in Fig. 4. The coils should be supported near the ceiling and preferably over a passageway. The best results are obtained when

the coils are placed in the upper third of the room. Less storage space is thus taken up by the pipes, and the flow of the air is not obstructed under the pipe. Where goods are packed very solidly over the floor area, the circulation of air is sometimes helped by placing the goods on 2 × 4-in. pieces, thus making a passage for the air on the floor. However, in most cases, the air passes through the goods without this provision. In meat cooler rooms and in some cold storage work where temperatures below freezing are needful, it is necessary to support under the coils, a trough to carry away the water caused by the melting of the frost which will accumulate on the coils.

Where meat is cooled in the carcass, as is the case in packing house work, the bunker system of placing the cooling coils is used (see Fig. 5). With this system, an overhead bunker is made with provisions for air to circulate over the coils and through a slot in the bunker floor to the main room below. The air circulates by gravity over the coils and the water caused by the melting of the frost on the pipes, is carried off by a drain in the bunker floor. For some work, these bunkers are placed outside the room to be cooled, and the air is circulated by fans over the coils and to the room through ducts. This system was used to a great extent in the past in fur storage houses and in chocolate factories.

The arrangement of the cooling coils for cooling a large amount of air to be circulated through rooms, should be such that the cooling pipes are long and close together. The air should be blown along the pipes (not across) With pipes placed on 4-in. centers and 60 ft. long, the air travels a long distance in contact with the cold pipes, thus bringing in a time element which is important. The friction of the brine or ammonia in the pipes is also much less than where a large number of short pipes are used, thus requiring much less power.

In small refrigerator boxes, as in hotels and restaurants, usually no provision can be made to provide for natural circulation as the space is very small and the goods to be cooled are placed very near the pipes. In meat boxes, it is usually possible to place the pipe near the ceiling at the side so that a circulation can be obtained.

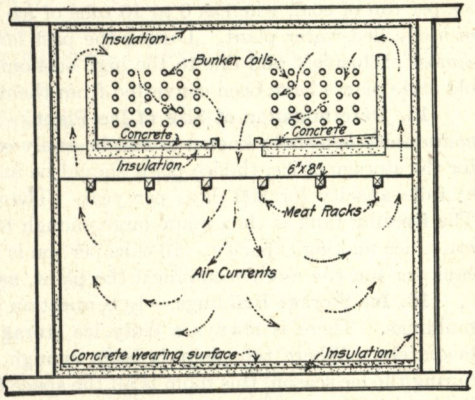


FIG. 5.—Arrangement of refrigerating coils in bunkers.

11. Ice Manufacturing Plants.—There are three systems for making ice that are commercially successful: (1) the plate system, (2) the distilled water can system, and (3) the raw water can system.

In the *plate system*, a steel tank 10 or 12 ft. deep and of varying widths and lengths, depending upon the capacity, has arranged in and across it, expansion coils on 32-in. centers for the full height. The pipes in the coils are usually on 6-in. centers and are bolted between two ⅛-in. steel plates. The tank is filled with water and the ammonia boiling away in the coils absorbs the heat in the water causing ice to form on the steel plates. While the freezing operation is going on, air is allowed to bubble up over the freezing edge thereby cleaning the surface of air bubbles and foreign matter. The result is a clear cake of ice. This operation is continued until the ice is 12 in. thick. It requires 6 days to freeze the cake of ice. Hot ammonia gas is then turned into the coils until the frozen cake is melted free of the steel plate. The cake is then lifted out of the tank by a crane and is carried to a tipping table where it is brought to a horizontal position and cut up to commercial sizes by means of a circular saw. This type of plant is very economical in operation but is high in first cost. There is also the objection that many cakes are so cracked or otherwise broken before they are finally disposed of, that there is an excessive loss of ice.

In the *distilled water can system*, steel cans of commercial sizes are surrounded by brine in a steel freezing tank. Three hundred pound cakes are most commonly used. The cans for this size of cake are 11½ × 22½ × 44 in. These cans are set in a tank 48 in. deep and are placed on 25-in. centers lengthwise of the tank and on 15-in. centers across the tank. Between the cans and running lengthwise of the tank, expansion coils are placed, usually 6 pipes high and on 7-in. centers. The ammonia in the coils cools the brine which in turn freezes the water in the can. The brine in the tank is kept in motion along the coils by a motor-driven propeller. There is installed in the plant a water distilling system through which all the water for the cans

passes. The water thus being free of all foreign matter, freezes clear in the cans. When the water in the can is frozen (which requires about 48 hr. for a 300-lb. cake), the can with the ice is lifted out of the tank and lowered into a tank containing hot water. It is left here sufficiently long to thaw the ice cake free of the can. The can is then lifted and placed on a can dump where the cake of ice is dumped out and passed to the ice storage room. This system, until the last few years, was the system which was most commonly installed. The objections to it are: low economy, and the necessity of having in conjunction with the plant a distilling apparatus, thus requiring steam.

The *raw water can system* is identical with the distilled water can system in so far as the arrangement of the cans in the tank is concerned. The difference is in the use of raw water (city water) instead of distilled water. There is installed in the plant an air compressor which forces air through pipes to the freezing tank. This air is piped to the bottom of the can of water and allowed to bubble up through the water. As the water freezes in the can, this air keeps the surface washed free of air bubbles and foreign matter, thus forming a clear cake of ice. The advantages of this system are: a steam plant is not necessary as the plant can be electrically driven or otherwise, depending on kinds of power available; and better economies are obtained than with the other types. A raw water can plant may easily be made to produce 20 tons of ice per ton of coal, whereas 6 to 10 tons of ice per ton of coal is about all that can be expected of a distilled water plant. During the past few years the raw water plant has been installed almost exclusively and due to the high economies which are possible only with this type, many old style plants have been converted from the distilled system to a high duty raw water system.

12. Determination of Size of Ice Plant.—The amount of ice which can be sold in a given community is usually known or can be easily estimated. If no large storage house is available for the storage of ice, the ice plant should be made large enough to supply the demand, running at full capacity for 200 days per year. The daily tonnage of the plant is thus determined. The freezing tank is then made large enough to accommodate 14 to 18 cans (300 lb. each) per ton of ice making capacity. 16 cans per ton is most commonly used. The larger the number of cans per ton the more economical the plant, as the time of freezing is lengthened.

13. Ice Storage Buildings.—In connection with ice making plants, there are built ice storage buildings. There is always a daily ice storage room where the ice is stored to be used immediately. Where the plant is large enough to supply the entire demand by running only during the ice season, this room is all the space that is required. A daily ice storage room should be designed to provide for a four days' supply of the freezing tank. The ceiling height is low, usually 8 ft., and the expansion pipe is arranged below the ceiling on 10-in. centers the entire length and width of the room. The room should be large enough to accommodate the ice standing on end, one cake high. 12 sq. ft. per ton of ice should be used in determining the size of the building under these conditions.

It is usually more economical to provide a large ice storage building for the storage of ice made during the winter months, and build the ice plant only large enough to provide for the demand by operating 300 days per year. Ice storage buildings, however, are not advisable unless they can be built for at least 2000-tons capacity. The larger the storage building, the better. They should be 30 to 40 ft. high and should have an area unobstructed by columns below the roof. The expansion coils are supported by hangers along the walls near the ceiling. The buildings are designed for 40 cu. ft. per ton of ice. The weight of ice is 57½ lb. per cu. ft.

14. Practical Notes.—All systems of refrigeration require water to be circulated over the ammonia condensers. The amount of water which must be provided for this work is approximately 3 gal. per min. per ton of refrigeration. Where it is necessary to use city water for this cooling work, the same water can be used over and over again by means of a cooling tower. A tower should be on a high portion of the building where it has free access to air currents.

1¼ and 2-in. pipes are most commonly used for cooling coils. The friction of the cooling medium in the pipe becomes excessive when pipe smaller than 1¼ in. is used; and when a pipe larger than 2 in. is used, the cooling surface is too small for the volume of the pipe.

In designing buildings where refrigeration is used, the following floor loads per sq. ft. may be used: in cold storage plants, 175 to 250 lb. depending upon the goods to be stored: under

freezing tanks, 375 lb. for 300-lb. can tanks; and under ice storage rooms, use 60 lb. per cu. ft. for the weight of the ice.

In still air, 3000 lin. ft. of 1¼-in. pipe can be used for one expansion valve. When the pipe is submerged in brine, as is the case in a freezing tank, not more than 600 lin. ft. should be used.

Four inches of corkboard insulation should be used on rooms where a temperature of 25 to 35 deg. F. is to be obtained; 6 in. should be used for temperatures of from 0 to 25 deg. F.; and 8 in. should be used for temperatures below this. Four inches of insulation is sufficient under freezing tanks, although some designers prefer 6 in.; 12 in. of granulated cork is used around the side of freezing tanks. Insulation for cold storage buildings should not be broken at each floor but should be continuous and should be laid on top of the roof construction and between layers of concrete on the floor, as in Figs. 3 and 4. Insulation on the floor of a room should be protected by 3 to 4 in. of concrete as in Fig. 4.

The amount of power required per ton of refrigeration naturally varies with the design of the plant. An average figure is 1.5 hp. In the summer months the amount of power required will be about 1.75 hp., and during the winter months, this rate will be about 1.3 hp. Absorption machines require about 35 lb. of steam per hr. per ton of refrigeration.

Electricity at 1 ct. per kw.-hr. and coal at $4 per ton can be considered as equivalent when considering power costs of a plant of equal efficiency.

The average plant requires for make up purposes, 1 lb. of ammonia per 10 tons of refrigeration.

PROPERTIES OF FOOD PRODUCTS KEPT IN COLD STORAGE

Product	Temperature carried	Specific heat		Latent heat of freezing
		Above freezing	Below freezing	
Apples	32–33	0.92		
Beef frozen	0–15	0.77	0.41	102
Butter	0	0.64		84
Cabbage	33	0.93	0.48	129
Carrots	33	0.87	0.45	118
Cheese	33	0.64		
Cream	33	0.68	0.38	84
Eggs	30–32	0.76	0.40	100
Fish—dried	0–15	0.58	0.43	111
Fish—fresh—frozen	0–15	0.82	0.43	111
Fruits—fresh	32–36	0.92		
Fruits—dried	35–40	0.84		
Game to freeze	0–15	0.80	0.42	105
Ice	25	1.00	0.504	144
Ice cream	0	0.75	0.38	82
Lobster		0.81	0.42	108
Milk	35	0.90	0.47	124
Oysters	35	0.84	0.44	114
Pork	36	0.51	0.30	55
Potatoes	34	0.80	0.42	105
Poultry	0–15	0.78		102
Veal	32–36	0.70	0.39	90
Vegetables	34–35	0.91		

SECTION 12

COMMUNICATING SYSTEMS

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The modern method of oral communication between persons at some distance apart is by some form of the telephone. The particular kind of telephone system to be installed in any case will depend upon local conditions, such as distance and the publicity or privacy of the system. If the general public is to be permitted to communicate at pleasure with persons in the building, then undoubtedly the telephone connections will be made with the central telephone exchange. If the number of calls are relatively few and concern only a few people, then each telephone may be connected directly with the central office. On the other hand, where any one of a number of persons may be called or may wish to communicate with persons outside of the building, there is usually installed a local or private branch exchange. By private branch exchange is meant a telephone system complete in itself and adapted to bring into communication any two subscribers in a comparatively small community, such as a business establishment or hotel, or any of these subscribers with any of those connected to a regular exchange. Such an intercommunicating system is usually installed by the telephone company in accordance with its specifications and is maintained by it. Where a private branch exchange switchboard or a basement terminal is installed, it is necessary to carry at least two wires from each telephone to the central distributing point in the building. Where these buildings are served by means of a cable, it is generally necessary to extend a building cable and establish one or more branch terminals, from which the distribution wires are taken. Hence, the importance of making adequate provision in advance for such cabling and wiring. It is advisable to have such provision in the building plans, otherwise the walls may be disfigured by unsightly open wiring, or it may be necessary to make openings through walls, floors, and partitions after the completion of the building. All details for making these provisions will be furnished by the telephone company to the architect or builder upon request and consultation.

1. Location of Distributing Frame.[1]—Local conditions will often determine the location of the distributing frame. There are, nevertheless, some general considerations which should be heeded. Where conditions permit, the frame is often mounted on the wall behind the switchboard. Whether such a location is possible will depend upon the point of entrance of the cables from the outside. In every case it is advisable to locate the frame as near to the switchboard and as near the point of entrance of the cables as conditions will permit, thus reducing to a minimum the length of cable. The frame should always be mounted where it will be easily accessible for repairs and where it will not be subject to dampness and mechanical injury. From the frame the wires are carried to the switchboard through switchboard cables along a cable rack, or in a wooden conduit 3 to 4 in. square in cross section. This cable runway is fastened to a wall or railing, or is supported a short distance above the floor by means of supporting iron frame work. The distributing frame and cable rack should be securely bolted together and fastened to the wall and floor with lag screws.

2. Location of Switchboard.[1]—The private branch exchange switchboard should be located on a solid floor free from vibration, and, if a lamp signal board, in a position such that strong light will not shine on its face so as to subdue the lamp signals. Where a distributing frame is not mounted behind it, the switchboard should be placed not less than 18 in. from a wall or railing so as to permit inspection freely. Where a frame is installed behind the board, a space should be left between the two so as to permit free access to the frame connections and to the back of the board.

[1] Specifications of The American Telephone and Telegraph Co.

Sometimes, in place of a distributing frame, a cross connecting box is used. This should be located where it will be free from dampness and mechanical injury, and where it is easily accessible for inspection and repairs. It is often placed near a pipe, elevator, or dumb waiter shaft so that the distributing wires and cables can be run directly to the different floors. A typical installation of cables, switchboard, cross connecting box, etc., is shown in Fig. 1.

3. Telephone Wiring Classification.[1]—It is customary to divide buildings for wiring purposes into three classes: apartment buildings, offices, and hotels. Under the term apartment buildings are included all those larger than single houses or stores and smaller than office buildings. Such buildings may contain living and office apartments, and also stores, generally on the ground floor.

In an apartment building the maximum number of telephones is seldom more than one per apartment. The class of service, however, is very difficult to forecast. In planning communication facilities for such buildings, it is advisable to provide for one circuit from each telephone to the distributing center.

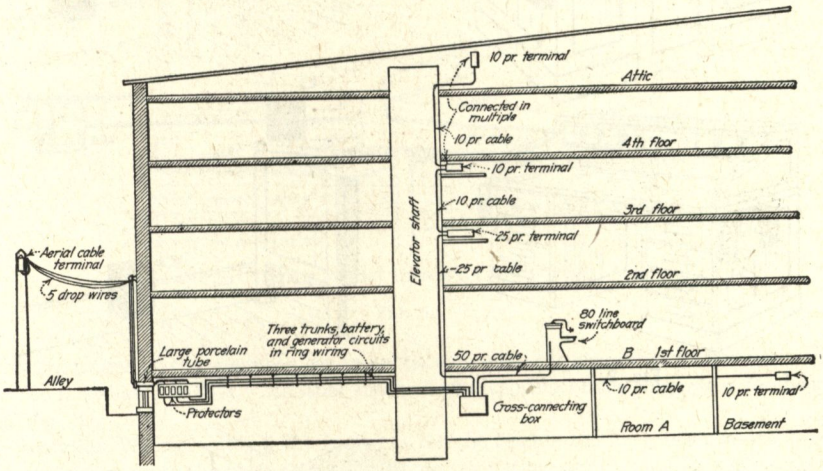


FIG. 1.

To make satisfactory and adequate provision for a communication system for an office building is a difficult problem for many reasons: The number of telephones to be installed will depend upon the character of the business, location of building, requirements of individual tenants, business of tenant, and duration of tenancy.

When planning for a communication system for an office building, provision should be made for the installation of one or more private branch exchanges as well as a central distributing basement terminal at which the service cables end.

The wiring provisions for a hotel will depend upon the size, location, type, and kind of building. Usually provision should be made for at least one private branch exchange and a basement terminal.

4. Installation of Subscribers' Sets.—By subscriber's set is meant the patron's telephone together with all necessary wiring from the terminal board. As a result of many years' experience, the telephone companies have developed certain standard methods of installation which have proved satisfactory in practice.

As a rule the telephone proper, that is, receiver and transmitter, are located to suit the convenience of the user. As a general rule it may be stated that the telephone should be located in a light and quiet place. A wall set should be mounted so that the center of the transmitter with face vertical is about 4 ft. 9 in. above the floor. The wall should be solid or some other support should be used to avoid vibration. The set should not be located near grounded metallic objects, such as radiators, registers, sinks, water and steam pipes, or near electric fixtures, because of the possibility of the patron receiving electric shock. In business offices where the telephone is frequently used by one person, it is customary to mount the set or some parts of

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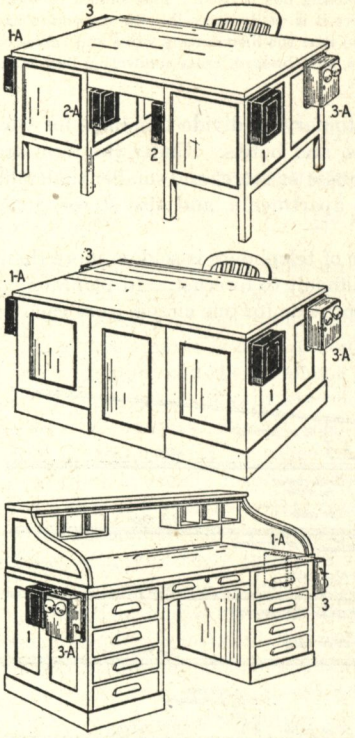


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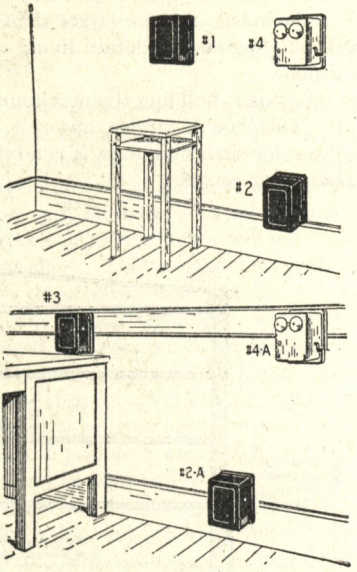


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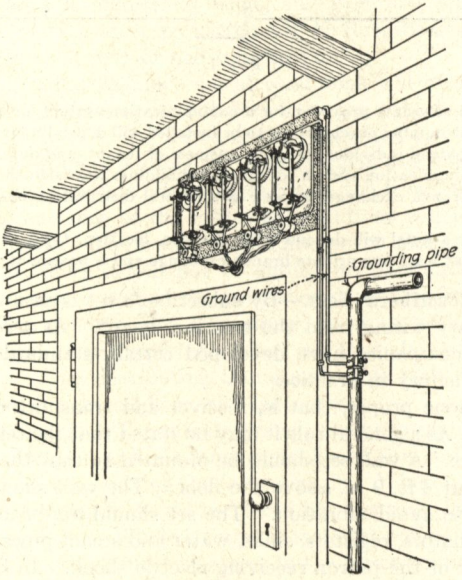
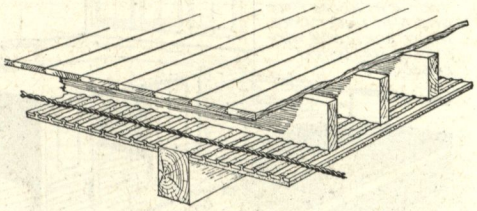
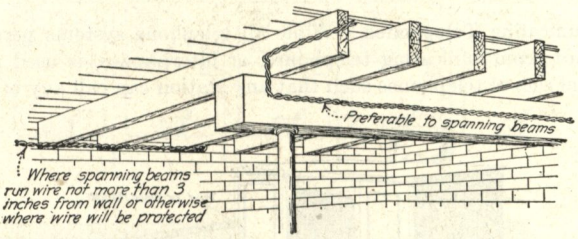


Fig. 4.

it on the patron's desk. Fig. 2[1] shows the most desirable locations. Locations 1 and 1-A are preferable for mounting the bell boxes of a common battery desk set. If it is desired to conceal the box, it may be mounted under the desk at locations indicated by 2 and 2-A.



Cellar with Lath and Plaster Ceiling



Cellar without Lath and Plaster Ceiling

FIG. 5.

Since the ringer of the magneto set must be conveniently accessible to the user, the best locations for it are at 3 or 3-A. Another method of disposing of the ringer box for desk sets is shown in Fig. 3.

5. Substation Wiring.—When the locations for the telephones have been selected, consideration should be given to the best means of running the wiring, and if possible, provisions should

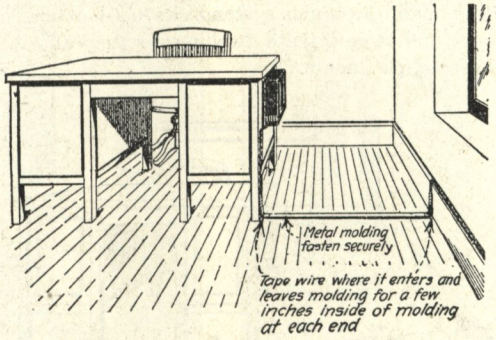


FIG. 6.

be made for concealing them. When no private branch exchange is to be installed, the wires are usually brought into the building, as shown in Fig. 4. From the protectors the wires are then run to the subscriber's sets. The routes to be followed and the type of installation to be employed will depend upon local conditions. The route should be as direct as possible and

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all wiring should be inconspicuous and protected. Figs. 5 to 9 inclusive show how this problem is solved under different conditions.

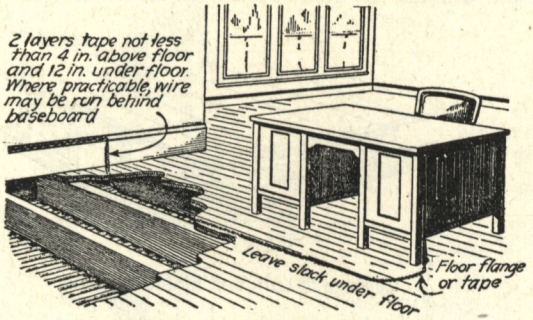


FIG. 7.

6. Intercommunicating Telephones.—While all telephone systems permit intercommunication, the terms intercommunicating telephones, or interphones, is used to designate the arrangement of several sets of telephones such that any station can call any other station without

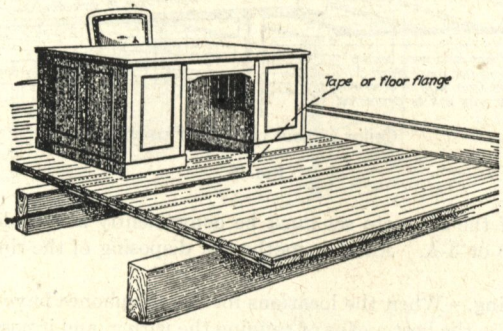


FIG. 8.

the assistance of a central operator. Such systems are used extensively in factories, offices, apartment buildings, stores, and large private dwellings as they afford a ready means of communication between different departments.

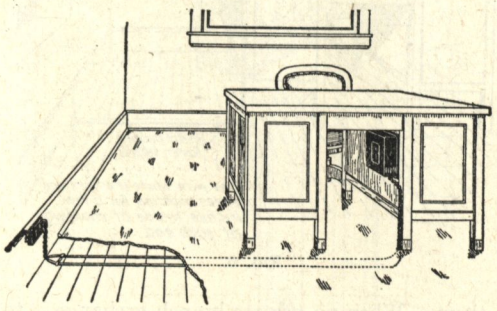


FIG. 9.

Telephone systems for intercommunication may be operated either by a local battery for the talking circuit and a magneto for signalling, or they may be operated entirely from a common battery. When the common battery type is used, two sets of batteries are invariably employed.

The most simple system of the local battery type is one in which two telephone sets are connected by a single line. Such a system needs no further discussion. However, when more than two stations make up the system, the arrangement is more complex. Of course, all the instruments could be connected to a single party line, but

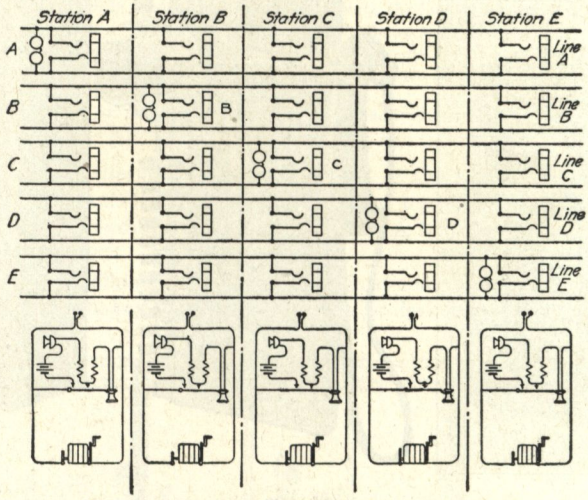


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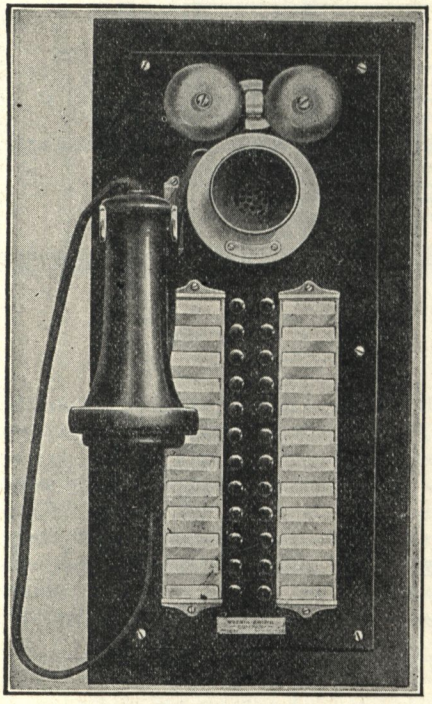


FIG. 11.



FIG. 12.

this would necessitate code ringing. The usual arrangement of intercommunicating systems is to have a separate line run from each instrument to every other one of the system. For magneto ringing, the circuits are quite simple and easily designed. Each station is provided with a panel upon which are mounted as many jacks as

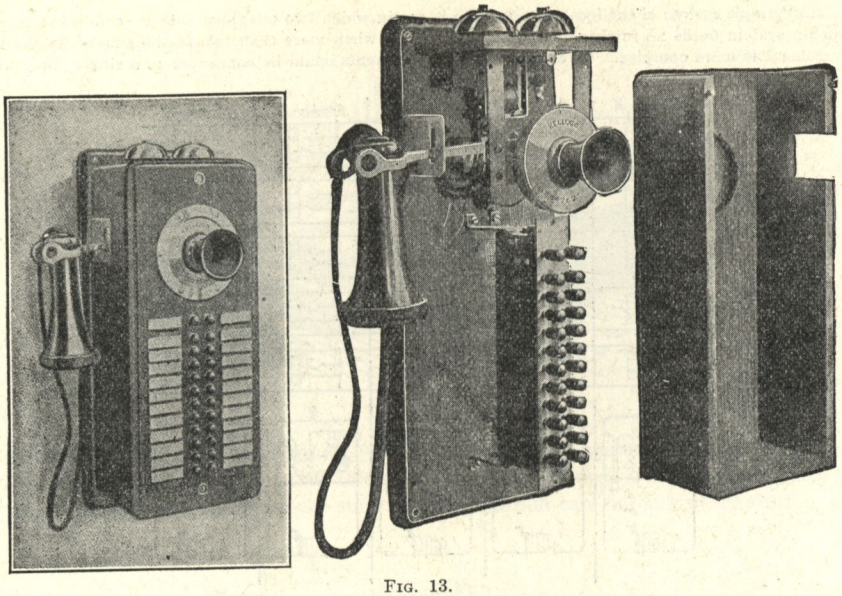


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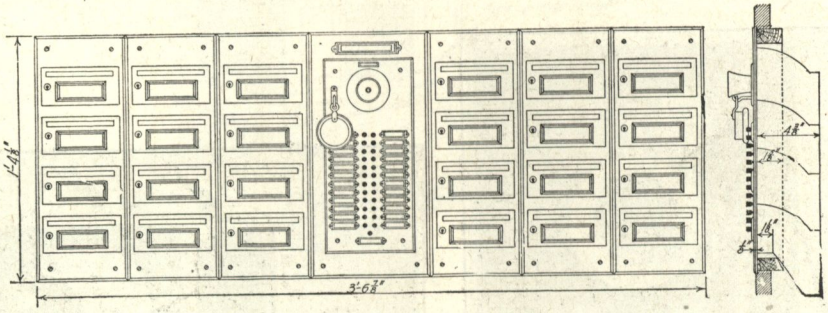


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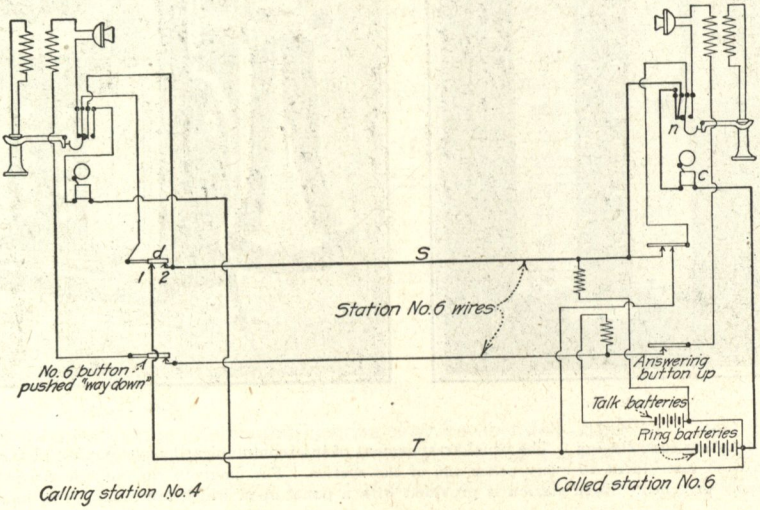


FIG. 15.

there are stations, and lines running from any one station connect the jacks into as many parallel groups as there are stations. At each station the ringer is bridged across one line. This line is designated at all other stations as belonging to the station at which the bells are bridged. The talking and ringing circuit at each station is provided with a terminal plug which is used to make connection with the jack of any other station. Fig. 10 is a simplified diagram of such a system. When a person at station *A* wishes to call some one at station *D*, he inserts the plug into the jack connected to the *D* line and turns the magneto. As the only ringer that is bridged across this line is at station *D* it is the only station that will hear the call. As soon as the person at station *D* inserts his plug in jack *D*, the talking circuit with station *A* is complete.

Although such a system is extremely simple, owing to the convenience of automatic signalling provided by the common battery system, the latter is displacing it.

7. Common Battery Interphone Systems.—Most of the manufacturers of standard telephone apparatus also manufacture intercommunicating telephone apparatus. In general the principles of operation of the different makes are the same, but each has some distinctive method of connection for ringing.

At each station is a telephone set, either a wall set containing the keys and talking set, or a desk stand with a separate key box. Each wall set, or desk set key box has a series of buttons,

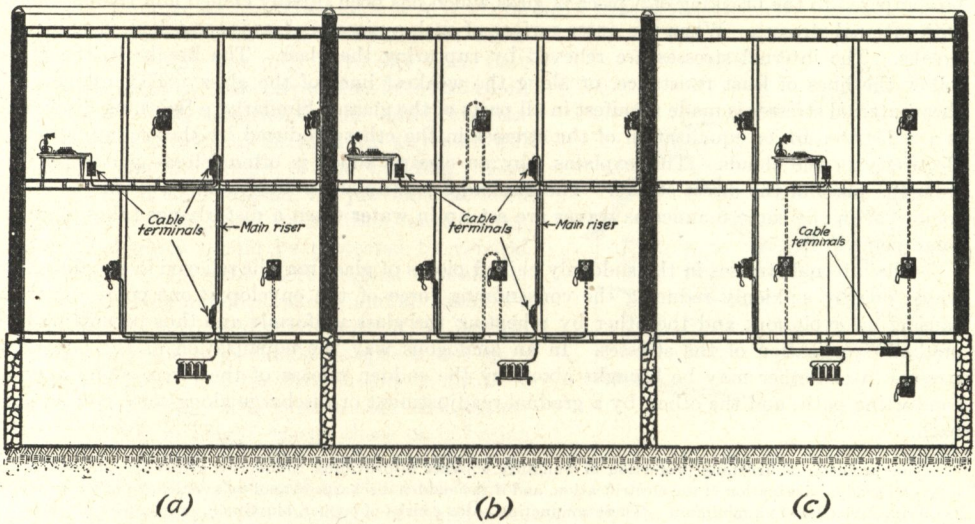


FIG. 16.

each one numbered or lettered to indicate the line it controls. Typical common battery intercommunicating sets are shown in Figs. 11, 12, and 13. An apartment house set with letter boxes is shown in Fig. 14. A person at one station wishing to talk to one of the other stations presses the corresponding button down to the ringing position, and the desired station is signalled. When this button is pushed down, any other button in the set, which might happen to be depressed, is automatically restored, thus clearing the station of any previous connection. When the pressure is removed the button comes back to a halfway or talking position, so that as soon as the called station receiver is removed the talking connections are complete.

The wiring of an intercommunicating system appears complicated, but this is due to the multiplicity of wires at each telephone. As a matter of fact, the circuits are quite simple. Diagrams of the circuits of two stations involved when one calls the other, of a Western Electric interphone system is shown in Fig. 15. The diagram shows that two sets of batteries are used, one for ringing and one for talking.

It is a good plan to use cables instead of loose wires for the inside wiring, and provision for running these cables may advantageously be made during the process of construction of the building. Methods of running interphone cables to meet different conditions are shown in Fig. 16.

SECTION 13

LIGHTNING PROTECTION

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1. Nature of Lightning.—Lightning, as ordinarily understood, is the discharge of atmospheric electricity between clouds, or between clouds and the earth. This conception is in some respects inadequate although it does seem to state what one actually sees. A more modern conception assumed that the breaking up and recombination of water particles results in electrification of the clouds and atmosphere. This electrification produces stresses in the ether, and the lightning discharge is an equalization of these stresses. In this respect, lightning may be compared to the breaking of a piece of glass which has been rapidly chilled and thereby filled with internal stresses. When the outer surface of such a piece of glass is scratched, it suddenly breaks. The internal stresses are relieved by rupturing the glass. The breaks in the glass follow the lines of least resistance, or along the weakest lines of the glass. The influence of these internal stresses is made manifest in all parts of the glass. Similarly, a lightning discharge is a redistribution or equalization of the stresses in the ether produced by the accumulation of electricity in the clouds. This explains why an electric shock is often felt at points remote from the place of the direct stroke. The discharge sets up electromagnetic waves in the ether somewhat in the same manner as waves are set up in water when a disturbance takes place at some point in it.

The internal stresses in the suddenly chilled pieces of glass may be relieved in two different ways: one by suddenly reducing the constraining force of the envelop at one point and thus causing an explosion; and the other by reheating the glass uniformly and thus permitting the gradual equalization of the stresses. In an analogous way the equalization of the electrical stresses in the ether may be brought about by the sudden release of the forces along a nonconducting path; and the other, by a gradual readjustment or discharge along some conducting path.

The problem of lightning protection of buildings consists in providing conducting paths for the relatively slow and gradual dissipation of the electrification, and if the sudden discharge cannot be avoided, to at least reduce its destructive effect to a minimum. These conducting paths consist of copper, aluminum, or iron wire in the form of lightning rods.

Although the exact character of the lightning discharge between clouds is not known, it is quite well established that it is oscillatory when taking place through objects on the earth's surface. The lightning discharge is not a rush of electricity in one direction, but, like a steel spring when it is deflected and released, it swings past the point of equilibrium, so the lightning discharge oscillates several hundred thousand and perhaps millions of times per second. This oscillatory character of the discharge introduces certain factors in lightning rod design and installations that are usually neglected when designing conductors for low frequency electric current.

2. Electrical Conductors.—The energy of an electric current when flowing through a conductor is dissipated as heat. When the current is of low frequency, the heat is developed throughout the whole cross section of the conductor. When a high frequency alternating current passes through a conductor, the energy is converted into heat only on the outer surface of the conductor, and as electric radiations into space. The electrical resistance of a conductor is of practically no importance as far as the question of dissipating the high frequency energy of a lightning discharge is concerned. Thus from an electrical point of view, it matters little whether copper, aluminum, or iron is used for the lightning conductor. From the viewpoint of durability, the copper and aluminum take precedence.

Composite conductors—that is, conductors made of different materials—should not be used. Unless the two materials are combined in the form of an alloy—or unless, when one is used as a coating for the other, they are in intimate contact and the coating is of considerable thickness—electrolytic action will sooner or later develop,

causing rapid deterioration of the conductors. Since lightning rods are very likely to be neglected, none but the best materials and first-class workmanship should be tolerated. The form of the conductor is of little moment—it may be round, flat, solid, or stranded. It should not, however, be too small in diameter. Authorities differ with respect to the best size of wire to use, but nothing smaller than No. 2 copper, No. 00 aluminum, and No. 1 galvanized-iron wire should be used.

3. Protection Provided by Lightning Rods.—Perhaps the most extended investigations as to the effectiveness of lightning rods, were carried out under the guidance of Prof. W. H. Day of the Ontario Agricultural College. His conclusions may be briefly summarized as follows:

Properly installed and maintained lightning rods are both a preventative of a lightning stroke and a protection against fire or serious damage in case of a lightning discharge through the rods. Experience seems to show that buildings with steel frame work, well grounded, are practically lightning proof.

4. Installation and Maintenance of Lightning Rods.—If lightning rods are not properly installed and maintained, they may prove an element of danger instead of protection; hence the following simple rules should be carefully observed:[1]

4*a*. Material.—If proper precautions for maintenance are taken, double galvanized-iron conductors may be used instead of copper or aluminum. No conductor smaller than No. 2 copper or No. 00 aluminum A.W.G., or No. 1 iron B.W.G. should be used. Combination wires are not advised on account of durability. The conductor may have any form that will give durability and convenience in installation.

4*b*. Location.—The exact location and number of rods to be used in any case will depend upon the shape of the building. Two main vertical rods should be provided at each end of the building, and in addition, each tower, spire, or chimney should be protected by vertical rods (Fig. 1). Likewise short vertical rods should be erected along minor pinnacles and all should be connected by horizontal conductors. The vertical points along the ridge should be spaced not more than 20 to 30 ft., and the first should be not over 5 ft. from the end. The vertical rods need not exceed 4 to 5 ft. in height except those on or beside chimneys, cupolas, or other similar prominences; these should extend at least 18 in. above the highest point. The vertical rods should be of the same material as the horizontal conductors.

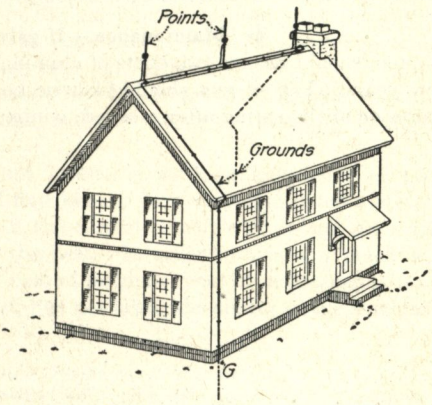


FIG. 1.

4*c*. Grounding.—Grounding is one of the most important features of installation. Unless the grounding is effective, the rods may do more harm than good. The first essential of a good ground is to extend the conductors to a depth sufficient to ensure contact with permanent moist earth, hence proximity to rain water pipes and to drains is desirable. The exact depth will depend upon local conditions but the conductor should extend at least 8 ft. below the surface. It is a very good plan to make the conductor divide close below the surface of the ground and adopt either of two methods for securing the escape of the lightning into the earth. A strip of copper tape may be led from the bottom of the rod to the nearest water main, not merely to a lead pipe, and be soldered to it; or a tape may be soldered to a sheet of copper 3×3 ft. at least $\frac{1}{16}$ in. thick, buried in permanently wet earth, and surrounded by cinders or coke. Where iron is used for the rod, a galvanized iron plate of similar dimensions should be employed. Instead of the plate, there are advantages of using a tubular earth connection consisting of a perforated steel pipe driven tightly into moist ground and lengthened up to the surface. A conductor reaching to the bottom and packed with granulated charcoal, is as effective an area as a plate of larger surface, and can easily be kept moist by connecting it with the nearest

[1] Lightning Rods, Bul. No. 220, Ontario Agricultural College.
Lightning and Lightning Conductors, Farmers' Bul. No. 367, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture.
Lightning Rods, E. J. Berg, Standard Handbook for Electrical Engineers.

drain water pipe. To prevent injury, the grounding cables should be protected to a height of 6 to 8 ft. above the ground by nailing boards around them.

4*d*. Construction.—All roof metals, such as finials, ridging, rain-water and ventilating pipes, metal bowls, lead flashing, gutters, etc., should be well grounded. Some recommend that these metal portions be connected to the conductors; others, like Sir Oliver Lodge, suggest that it is advisable to connect these metal parts together and then ground them rather than connect them to the conductor, as this introduces an element of danger.

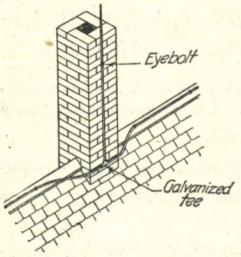


FIG. 2.

All large masses of metal in the building should be connected to earth, either directly or by means of a lower horizontal conductor.

Where roofs are partially or wholly metal lined, they should be connected to earth by means of vertical rods at several points, preferably at the lower corners, never from the ridge. Gas pipes should be kept as far away as possible from the positions occupied by lightning conductors, and, as an additional protection, the service mains to the gas meter should be metallically connected with house services leading from the meter.

All lightning conductors should be metallically connected with the building. The fastenings whether nails, staples, or clips should preferably be of the same material as the conductor. A good method of fastening a galvanized iron rod to a chimney is shown in Fig. 2. Where the conductors change direction, all sharp bends should be avoided.

4*e*. Maintenance.—If galvanized-iron conductors and rods are used, the whole system should receive two coats of aluminum paint, and the painting should be repeated every ew years. The system should likewise be regularly inspected, esp ecially after a heavy wind torm or in the spring after a severe winter.

SECTION 14

VACUUM CLEANING EQUIPMENT

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1. The Application of Air to Vacuum Cleaning.—The importance of air as the essential cleaning agent has not been properly recognized by the vacuum cleaning industry. The trade name, *vacuum cleaner*, should more correctly have been *air cleaner*, for the very reason that a large volume of air, moving at a high velocity, is the only agent by means of which dirt or dust can be removed by a commercial vacuum cleaner.

It is impossible to use air as a cleaning agent unless some method is used to cause the air to move; *i.e.*, a machine to produce pressure or partial vacuum, as vacuum alone would be an empty space if air was not supplied.

A conductor is necessary to convey the air from the point being cleaned to the machine or vacuum-producer, and to convey the foul air from the machine or vacuum-producer to the place of disposal, such as a stack, chimney, etc. The conductor consists of a suitable tool, flexible vacuum hose, pipe of adequate size, separating tank and exhaust.

There are consequently four essential parts necessary in a Stationary Air Cleaning System; namely, the machine, the conductor, the air or volume, and the vacuum. In taking up these parts it is necessary to treat each one separately.

1*a*. The Machine.—One who does not possess a working knowledge of the different types of machines now on the market will find himself in a very undecided state of mind as to which type of machine has embodied in it the correct principle of design, since all manufacturers claim their particular machine to be the best. In order to choose a machine, it is necessary to consider the following points: first cost of machine, cost of maintenance (*i.e.* repairs, power consumption, etc.), efficiency, and last, but not least, the ability of the machine to do the work.

It is evident that a machine designed with least complication of parts can be manufactured and sold at less cost than a machine of many parts, and that a machine so designed will require less expenditure for repairs and less power consumption.

It is also evident that the efficiency of the machine will depend on the simplicity of design and least friction in the moving parts. Machines constructed on the principle of the positive blower and piston type, having large rubbing surfaces and complicated valves, can hardly compare on this point with the modern high speed centrifugal fan, with but two ball bearings as a rubbing surface to produce friction.

The ability of these types to do the work can only be judged by the amount of air they displace. The first two types of machines have a small capacity for air displacement; the latter machine, designed on the centrifugal fan principle, has a very large air displacement for the same amount of power consumed.

1*b*. The Conductor.—The main part of the conductor of a Stationary Vacuum Cleaning System is the pipe. This should be of wrought iron, with a smooth interior, free from all fins or burrs, with long-turn, recessed type drainage fittings. The pipe should be of adequate size, so that the vacuum loss will not be excessive, with the use of a velocity not less than 2000 ft. per min., and should allow the free passage of match sticks, cigar stubs, etc. The pipe inlets should be not less than 2-in. diameter to allow the use of any standard diameter of vacuum hose.

The vacuum hose should be constructed of light, flexible material, reinforced with spring steel wire. The hose should also be of ample size to allow the free passage of such coarse articles as are spoken of in the preceding paragraph, and to prevent an excessive loss of vacuum due to the passage of the large volume of air necessary at the tool for effective cleaning.

The tool used for cleaning has been neglected by many manufacturers. It is, however, a very important part of the conductor. The tool should be so designed as to be operated with

ease and rapidity, and constructed along such lines as to make it adaptable to the particular surface to be cleaned, as well as durable and easily renewable.

The equipment will generally consist of a large variety of tools, designed and constructed for special uses. The carpet and hardwood floor tools are always given the most attention because of their frequent use and severe service. The carpet tool should be of light material, such as aluminum or its equal, with a shoe of some hard substance, such as steel or phosphor bronze for rubbing surface. This will resist wear and will not become sharp and rough; thus the fabric being cleaned will be saved from injury. The hardwood floor tool should be constructed on the same principle as the carpet tool and should have a non-abrasive rubbing surface, such as felt, rubber, or some similar substance, to prevent scratching or marring of the floor. The general dimensions of these tools will depend on the volume of air displaced per tool by the machine or vacuum-producer.

There are two methods used in dealing with the separation of the dirt from the air; namely, wet and dry. In the wet system the dirt and dust-laden air is caused to come in contact with water in the form of spray or is forced to pass through a chamber partly filled with water. The water thus dissolves and holds in suspension part of the dirt, and then this solution is run into a sewer. A portion of the dust, however, is carried in the air passing through the water in the form of bubbles. This dust-laden air is then carried through the valves and pistons of the vacuum-producer used with this system of dust separation, causing great wear and abrasion of these accurately machined parts. The exhaustion of this air under pressure into a sewer is also being condemned in many cities by the health authorities, owing to the fact that it produces back pressure in the sewer, causing sewer gas to be forced into the building, carrying with it the usual odor and unsanitary conditions. The dry separation of the dust and dirt from the air necessitates the removal of dirt from the separator in its dry state. It is then burned. The foul air passes through the exhaust into the outside atmosphere. The small amount of dust carried out by the air in this manner is scarcely perceptible to the eye. If the tank is of sufficient capacity, the cleaning of it will be necessary only once or twice per month.

1c. Volume and Vacuum.—It is necessary to discuss *volume* and *vacuum* under the same head, owing to the close relation existing between them. As has been stated before, the volume of air is the one essential agent in vaccum cleaning. In order to cause the removal of dust and dirt, it is necessary to have a large volume of air in motion. Vacuum is only the difference of air pressure causing the flow of this volume. The proper relation between vacuum and volume in a vacuum cleaning system, together with the pipe system of adequate size to accommodate this volume without undue loss, determines the economy of the system in regard to power required to operate, as well as the ability of the system to do effective and thorough cleaning. Experiments made with high-vacuum low-volume machines, in comparison with low-vacuum, high-volume machines, prove that there must be a proportionately larger power consumption to maintain the high-vacuum for the same effective cleaning. This is also shown by the commercial rating of the motors connected to these different types of machines.

It is evident that the correct principle and design is that embodied in the large-volume low-vacuum machine. Architects and engineers have, at times, specified 40 cu. ft. of free air displacement per min. at the tool for the high-vacuum machines, and 60 to 80 cu. ft. of free air displacement per min. at the tool for the low-vacuum machines for the same effective cleaning. In order to have the same effective cleaning, each machine should displace from 60 to 80 cu. ft. of free air per min., with 0.8 to 1 in. of mercury at the tool.

Therefore, by placing vacuum and volume in their proper relation to each other, the whole discussion is finally brought down to the point that vacuum is only the cause by which air is put in motion. An inch of mercury is very ample for effective cleaning with the displacement of 60 to 80 cu. ft. of air at the tool. When a machine can be designed to maintain these requirements without undue power consumption, a perfect vacuum cleaning system will be realized. The nearest approach to these conditions is found in the principle and design of the powerful high-speed centrifugal fan, which possesses the inherent capacity for large volume, constant vacuum, and small power consumption.

2. Relation of Volume and Vacuum to Horsepower.—In order to obtain a clear conception of the relation the above factors bear to each other, it it necessary to arrange the factors in the form of a curve, to which the following article pertains.

On the diagram accompanying this article, vacuum has been used as ordinates on the left-hand side, and horspower, as ordinates on the right-hand side, volume being plotted as abscissæ. To avoid confusion, the horsepower has been plotted for only one specific case, that of a piston, centrifugal or positive exhauster, with a rated capacity of 80 cu. ft. of air displacement. This may be varied for any case by using the following formula, which has been developed from the steam engine formula for horsepower of an engine:

$$Hp. = \frac{144 \times Q \times P}{33{,}000}$$

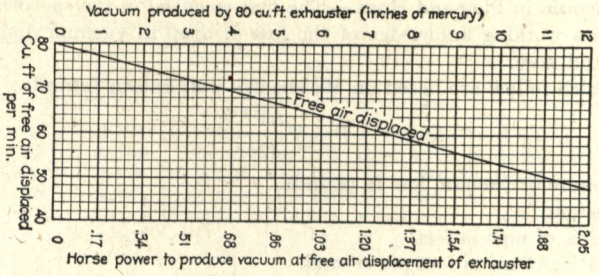


Diagram for a vacuum producer having a rated displacement of 80 cu. ft. of free air per minute, showing relation of volume and vacuum to horsepower for free air entering the orifice of the tool. Efficiency of the machine is not taken into consideration.

in which $hp.$ = horsepower.

Q = rated displacement of exhauster in cubic feet per minute.

P = difference of air pressure of vacuum in pounds per square inch.

From a well-known law of Physics, the volume of a gas at constant temperature varies inversely as the pressure; *i.e.*, if the pressure is doubled, the volume is reduced one-half; and again, if the pressure is reduced one-half, the volume is doubled. Thus, one can see if air at 14.7 lb., or atmospheric pressure at sea level, is rarefied one-half, or a partial vacuum of practically 15 in. of mercury is attained, the volume of air is increased to twice the amount, but the weight or density of the air is only one-half for the same volume as it was at atmospheric pressure.

A perfect vacuum is equal to practically 30 in. of mercury column. Thus, when an exhauster or vacuum-producer maintains a vacuum of 10 in. of mercury, the air in the system is rarefied 33⅓%, as 10 in. of mercury is just one-third of a perfect vacuum. Therefore, the amount of free air displaced would not be equal to the rated capacity of the exhauster, but only 66⅔% of the rated capacity. (Friction in the machine is not taken into consideration here.)

When air becomes rarefied to any great extent, its density is so small that it loses its value as a cleaning agent. Air must have density and be associated with large volume in order to lift and carry with it the dirt and dust with which it comes in contact.

It is not essential to maintain a high vacuum, which necessitates the consumption of a large amount of energy. A high vacuum only causes a high velocity of rarefied or light-weight air, and does not produce the cleaning effect that a low vacuum does with a high volume of air near atmospheric density, or near full weight, with the proper velocity.

If it were possible to produce an absolutely perfect vacuum, the air would be so rarefied that it would have no density or weight whatever, and would, therefore, have no dust-carrying capacity, as air loses its carrying capacity correspondingly to the degree to which it is rarefied. As the vacuum is gradually reduced, the density of the air is increased until a point is reached where a maximum amount of free air is displaced at a minimum amount of power consumed.

Experiments conducted by the Engineering Department of The United Electric Company have proven that a vacuum of ½ to 1½ in. of mercury at the tool, according to the service requirements, is very satisfactory when associated with a large volume of air. The resistance of the air passing through the hose and pipe, from the point being cleaned to the vacuum-producer, causes a loss of vacuum in proportion to the size and length of the pipe. The passage of the volume of air, which is necessary to do effective cleaning, through the very small pipe that is used and recommended by the manufacturers of high-vacuum machines causes so great a loss that the vacuum at the tool will not exceed ½ to 1½ in. of mercury, even though 10 or 15 in. are maintained at the vacuum-producer. Since the vacuum-producer is displacing rarefied air, the amount of free air entering the tool is reduced directly in proportion to the vacuum maintained, as explained in the foregoing paragraphs.

By referring to the free-air displacement curve, it will be noticed that a vacuum-producer having a rated displacement of 80 cu. ft. of air, maintaining 10 in. of vacuum, consuming 1.71 hp., will displace only about 53 cu. ft. of free air. When the same volume of free air is displaced at a vacuum of 2 in., the power consumed is only $\frac{53}{80}$ of 0.34 = 0.22 hp. (This does not take into consideration the friction in the vacuum-producer.) Thus, it becomes apparent that the maintenance of a high vacuum is a fallacy; by using a pipe of the proper size the air could be conveyed to the vacuum-producer, and the same vacuum maintained at the orifice of the tool as that shown by the high vacuum-producer. This would result in the same quality of cleaning.

The diagram shows that a vacuum-producer must have an inherent capacity for a large volume of air near atmospheric density, with only sufficient vacuum to overcome the vacuum loss due to the friction in the pipe (which should be of adequate size to convey the large volume of air) and produce a vacuum of ½ in. in the smallest to 1½ in. in the largest cleaning tool while in service.

3. Loss of Vacuum in Pipe and Hose.—The first essential in the specification of a vacuum cleaning system is a working knowledge of the loss or drop in vacuum due to the passage of air through pipe and hose.

The tables which follow are based on Weisbach's well known formula:

$$P = f\frac{LV^2}{d2g}$$

in which P = pressure or vacuum loss in pounds.
f = constant.
L = length of pipe in feet.
V = velocity of air in feet per second.
d = actual internal diameter in inches.
g = 32.2 = gravity.

The constant (f) has been established by Weisbach in his experiments on air moving under conditions of low pressure and velocity through large pipes, such as are used in ventilating systems. The numerical value of this constant as found by Weisbach is 0.0001608 for lb. per sq. in., or 0.0003283 for inches of mercury.

Vacuum cleaning, like any other air proposition, must be experimented with to obtain a constant that will give satisfactory results for this condition; namely, large volume and high velocity under low vacuum conditions through medium-sized pipes. Investigation and experiments made in the United Electric Company's laboratory are confirmed at the Armour Institute of Technology. These investigations establish the numerical value of this constant at 0.0001050 for lb. per sq. in., or 0.0002143 for inches of mercury. Including the value of $2g$ or 64.4, the constant is 0.000003329 for inches of mercury. The formula then becomes:

$$P = 0.000003329\,\frac{LV^2}{d}$$

in which P = vacuum loss in inches of mercury.
L = length of pipe in feet.
V = velocity of air in feet per second.
d = actual internal diameter in inches.

VACUUM LOSS IN INCHES OF MERCURY FOR 100 FT. OF STANDARD WROUGHT-IRON PIPE

Dia. in inches		1	1¼	1½	2	2½	3	3½	4	4½	5	6
Cubic feet of air per minute	40	3.921	0.991	0.462	0.132	0.054	0.018	0.009	0.0047	0.0027	0.0015	0.0006
	60	8.822	2.230	1.040	0.296	0.122	0.041	0.020	0.0106	0.0061	0.0034	0.0014
	80	15.683	3.965	1.849	0.527	0.217	0.073	0.035	0.0188	0.0107	0.0061	0.0024
	100	24.505	6.195	2.889	0.823	0.340	0.114	0.055	0.0294	0.0167	0.0095	0.0038
	120	*35.286	8.920	4.160	1.186	0.489	0.165	0.079	0.0423	0.0240	0.0137	0.0054
	160	.....	15.858	7.395	2.108	0.870	0.293	0.141	0.0752	0.0428	0.0243	0.0095
	180	.....	20.071	9.360	2.668	1.101	0.371	0.179	0.0952	0.0549	0.0308	0.0124
	200	.....	24.779	11.555	3.293	1.360	0.458	0.221	0.1175	0.0668	0.0380	0.0151
	240	.....	*35.681	16.639	4.742	1.958	0.659	0.318	0.1692	0.0977	0.0548	0.0218
	300	.....	.....	25.999	7.410	3.059	1.031	0.497	0.2644	0.1503	0.0856	0.0341
	320	.....	.....	29.581	8.431	3.481	1.172	0.565	0.3008	0.1711	0.0974	0.0388
	360	.....	.....	.....	10.671	4.405	1.484	0.715	0.3808	0.2197	0.1232	0.0491
	400	.....	.....	.....	13.174	5.439	1.832	0.883	0.4700	0.2673	0.1522	0.0606
	420	.....	.....	.....	14.524	5.996	2.020	0.974	0.5183	0.2991	0.1677	0.0668
	480	.....	.....	.....	18.950	7.832	2.638	1.272	0.6769	0.3906	0.2191	0.0872
	500	.....	.....	.....	28.584	8.498	2.863	1.371	0.7345	0.4176	0.2377	0.0872
	600	.....	.....	.....	29.640	12.237	4.122	1.987	1.0577	0.6013	0.3423	0.1363
	700	.....	.....	.....	.....	16.656	5.611	2.705	1.4396	0.8185	0.4660	0.1855
	800	.....	.....	.....	.....	21.755	7.328	3.533	1.8803	1.0691	0.6086	0.2423
	900	.....	.....	.....	.....	27.534	9.273	4.471	2.3798	1.3530	0.7703	0.3066
	1000	.....	.....	.....	.....	*33.992	11.450	5.520	2.9380	1.6704	0.9510	0.3786
	1100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.855	6.679	3.5550	2.0212	1.1507	0.4581
	1200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16.488	7.949	4.3207	2.4054	1.3694	0.5452
	1300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19.351	9.329	4.9652	2.8230	1.6072	0.6398
	1400	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22.442	10.819	5.7585	3.2740	1.8639	0.7420
	1500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.763	12.421	6.6105	3.7584	2.1397	0.8518

* Denotes impossible loss—29.922 hg. inches equals perfect vacuum.

VACUUM LOSS IN INCHES OF MERCURY FOR 100 FT. OF STANDARD VACUUM HOSE

Dia. in inches		¾	1	1¼	1½	1¾	2	2¼	2½
Cubic feet of air per minute	10	1.316	0.311	0.102	0.041	0.019	0.010	0.005	0.003
	20	5.262	1.245	0.407	0.163	0.077	0.039	0.022	0.013
	30	11.840	2.802	0.916	0.369	0.173	0.087	0.049	0.029
	40	21.050	4.981	1.628	0.656	0.307	0.155	0.086	0.051
	50	*32.890	7.783	2.544	1.024	0.479	0.242	0.135	0.080
	60	.....	11.207	3.664	1.475	0.690	0.349	0.194	0.115
	70	.....	15.254	4.987	2.008	0.940	0.475	0.264	0.157
	80	.....	19.924	6.514	2.623	1.227	0.620	0.345	0.205
	90	.....	25.216	8.244	3.319	1.553	0.785	0.437	0.259
	100	.....	*31.131	10.178	4.098	1.917	0.969	0.540	0.320
	110	.....	.....	12.315	4.959	2.320	1.174	0.653	0.387
	120	.....	.....	14.656	5.901	2.761	1.395	0.777	0.460
	130	.....	.....	17.201	6.926	3.241	1.638	0.912	0.540
	140	.....	.....	19.949	8.032	3.758	1.899	1.058	0.627
	150	.....	.....	22.900	9.220	4.314	2.180	1.214	0.719

* Denotes impossible loss—29.922 hg. inches equals perfect vacuum.

4. The Use and Abuse of Vacuum Hose.—Much has been said as to the use and abuse of the vacuum hose used in connection with an air cleaning system. This particular part of the installation receives the hardest wear and tear. At the same time it is the weakest, and the most expensive part of the installation.

For the above reason architects and engineers should impress upon the minds of owners and building managers the importance of careful attention to this part of the system.

In order to reduce the amount of vacuum hose necessary, the piping system should be more extensive; that is, provided with a greater number of risers and inlets throughout the building than has been the custom in specifications of the past.

Therefore, architects and engineers should specify a piping system consisting of a sufficient number of risers and nlets, so that the system will not require the use of more than 50 ft. of vacuum hose in public buildings and 25 ft. n residences; thus giving better service at less cost of maintenance.

5. Velocity Table.—The table of velocities accompanying this article is tabulated for a wide range of volume, in order to be of value for any size of machine, ranging from that used in the modern home to the machine designed for service in large buildings.

The actual internal cross-sectional area of wrought-iron pipe is used in the calculation of the table, so as to conform exactly with conditions as found in practice. The values given in the table are used with Weisbach's common formula in the calculation of the table for loss in vacuum. The velocities for air in standard vacuum hose have also been tabulated.

VELOCITY OF AIR IN FEET PER MINUTE IN STANDARD WROUGHT-IRON PIPE

Dia. in inches	1	1¼	1½	2	2½	3	3½	4	4½	5	6
40	6660	3850	2840	1720	1200	777	582				
60	10000	5772	4255	2575	1807	1170	873				
80	13330	7693	5674	3433	2409	1554	1164				
100	16660	9615	7092	4291	3012	1949	1456	1131			
120	20000	11540	8512	5152	3614	2339	1747	1357	1083		
160	.....	15380	11350	6866	4820	3118	2329	1810	1444	1152	
180	.....	17320	12765	7725	5423	3509	2620	2036	1625	1296	
200	.....	19220	14185	8582	6025	3899	2911	2263	1805	1441	
240	.....	.....	17020	10300	7232	4678	3495	2715	2166	1736	1196
300	.....	.....	21280	12870	9041	5847	4366	3393	2707	2160	1496
320	.....	.....	.....	13730	9642	6236	4660	3621	2889	2306	1595
360	.....	.....	.....	15450	10940	7019	5242	4072	3248	2594	1795
400	.....	.....	.....	17160	12050	7796	5822	4525	3610	2881	1994
420	.....	.....	.....	18030	12650	8188	6114	4752	3791	3025	2092
480	.....	.....	.....	20590	14450	9357	6990	5429	4331	3472	2392
500	.....	.....	.....	.....	15060	9745	7277	5655	4512	3602	2493
600	.....	.....	.....	.....	18070	11690	8733	6786	5422	4323	2991
700	.....	.....	.....	.....	21080	13640	10180	7917	6315	5043	3489
800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15590	11640	9049	7220	5763	3988
900	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17540	13080	10180	8122	6483	4485
1000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19490	14540	11310	9025	7204	4984
1100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16010	12440	9930	7920	5492
1200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17470	13570	10830	8640	5982
1300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18920	14700	11740	9360	6480
1400	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20360	15840	12630	10090	6979
1500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21830	16970	13540	10810	7477

Cubic feet of air per minute

VELOCITY OF AIR IN FEET PER MINUTE IN STANDARD VACUUM HOSE

Dia. of hose in inches	¾	1	1¼	1½	1¾	2	2¼	2½
10	3268	1835	1173	816	602	458	362	294
20	6536	3669	2346	1631	1205	915	725	588
30	9804	5504	3519	2447	1807	1373	1087	882
40	13070	7339	4692	3262	2410	1831	1449	1176
50	16340	9174	5865	4078	3012	2288	1811	1470
60	19610	11010	7038	4894	3614	2746	2174	1764
70	22880	12840	8211	5709	4217	3204	2536	2058
80	26140	14680	9384	6525	4819	3661	2898	2352
90	29412	16510	10560	7340	5422	4119	3261	2646
100	32680	18350	11730	8156	6024	4577	3623	2940
110	.....	20180	12900	8972	6626	5035	3985	3234
120	.....	22020	14080	9787	7229	5492	4348	3528
130	.....	23850	15250	10600	7831	5950	4710	3822
140	.....	25690	16420	11420	8434	6408	5072	4116
150	.....	27520	17590	12230	9036	6865	5434	4410

Cubic feet of air per minute

APPENDIX A

GENERAL NOTATION

For all materials except reinforced concrete:

f = unit fiber stress.
v = unit shearing stress (horizontal or vertical).
V = total shear.
c = distance from neutral axis to extreme fiber.
b = breadth of rectangular section.
d = depth of section.
A = area of section.
I = moment of inertia.
r = radius of gyration.
S = section modulus.
M = bending moment or resisting moment.
l = span or length.
L = span or length.
F or P = concentrated load or total stress in a member.
w = uniformly distributed load per unit of length.
W = total uniformly distributed load.
R = reactions at supports or resultant of forces.
E = modulus of elasticity.
Δ = total deformation or maximum deflection of beams.
δ = unit deformation.
e = eccentricity.

For reinforced concrete:

(*a*) Rectangular Beams

f_s = tensile unit stress in steel.
f_c = compressive unit stress in concrete.
E_s = modulus of elasticity of steel.
E_c = modulus of elasticity of concrete.
$n = \frac{E_s}{E_c}$.
M = moment of resistance, or bending moment in general.
A_s = steel area.
b = breadth of beam.
d = depth of beam to center of steel.
k = ratio of depth of neutral axis to depth, d.
z = depth below top to resultant of the compressive stresses.
j = ratio of lever arm of resisting couple to depth, d.
$jd = d - z$ = arm of resisting couple.
p = steel ratio $= \frac{A_s}{bd}$.

(*b*) T-beams

b = width of flange.
b' = width of stem.
t = thickness of flange.

(*c*) Beams Reinforced for Compression

A' = area of compressive steel.
p' = steel ratio for compressive steel.
f_s' = compressive unit stress in steel.
C = total compressive stress in concrete.
C' = total compressive stress in steel.
d' = depth of center of compressive steel.
r = depth to resultant of C and C'.

(*d*) Shear, Bond and Web Reinforcement

V = total shear.
V' = total shear producing stress in reinforcement.
v = shearing unit stress.
u = bond stress per unit area of bar.
o = circumference or perimeter of bar.
Σo = sum of the perimeters of all bars.
T = total stress in single reinforcing member.
s = horizontal spacing of reinforcing members.

(*e*) Columns

A = total net area.
A_s = area of longitudinal steel.
A_c = area of concrete.
P = total safe load.

APPENDIX B

STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR PORTLAND CEMENT[1]

These specifications are the result of several years' work of a special committee representing a United States Government Departmental Committee, the Board of Direction of the American Society of Civil Engineers, and Committee C-1 on Cement of the American Society for Testing Materials in cooperation with Committee C-1.

1. **Definition.**—Portland cement is the product obtained by finely pulverizing clinker produced by calcining to incipient fusion, an intimate and properly proportioned mixture of argillaceous and calcareous materials, with no additions subsequent to calcination excepting water and calcined or uncalcined gypsum.

I. Chemical Properties

2. **Chemical Limits.**—The following limits shall not be exceeded:

Loss on ignition, %	4.00
Insoluble residue, %	0.85
Sulphuric anhydride (SO_3), %	2.00
Magnesia (MgO), %	5.00

II. Physical Properties

3. **Specific Gravity.**—The specific gravity of cement shall be not less than 3.10 (3.07 for white Portland cement). Should the test of cement as received fall below this requirement a second test may be made upon an ignited sample. The specific gravity test will not be made unless specifically ordered.

4. **Fineness.**—The residue on a standard No. 200 sieve shall not exceed 22 % by weight.

5. **Soundness.**—A pat of neat cement shall remain firm and hard, and show no signs of distortion, cracking, checking, or disintegration in the steam test for soundness.

6. **Time of Setting.**—The cement shall not develop initial set in less than 45 min. when the Vicat needle is used or 60 min. when the Gillmore needle is used. Final set shall be attained within 10 hr.

7. **Tensile Strength.**—The average tensile strength in pounds per square inch of not less than three standard mortar briquettes composed of 1 part cement and 3 parts standard sand, by weight, shall be equal to or higher than the following:

Age at test, days	Storage of briquettes	Tensile strength, lb. per sq. in.
7	1 day in moist air, 6 days in water	200
28	1 day in moist air, 27 days in water	300

8. The average tensile strength of standard mortar at 28 days shall be higher than the strength at 7 days

III. Packages, Marking and Storage

9. **Packages and Marking.**—The cement shall be delivered in suitable bags or barrels with the brand and name of the manufacturer plainly marked thereon, unless shipped in bulk. A bag shall contain 94 lb. net. A barrel shall contain 376 lb. net.

10. **Storage.**—The cement shall be stored in such a manner as to permit easy access for proper inspection and identification of each shipment, and in a suitable weather-tight building which will protect the cement from dampness.

IV. Inspection

11. **Inspection.**—Every facility shall be provided the purchaser for careful sampling and inspection at either the mill or at the site of the work, as may be specified by the purchaser. At least 10 days from the time of sampling shall be allowed for the completion of the 7-day test, and at least 31 days shall be allowed for the completion of the 28-day test. The cement shall be tested in accordance with the methods hereinafter prescribed. The 28-day test shall be waived only when specifically so ordered.

V. Rejection

12. **Rejection.**—The cement may be rejected if it fails to meet any of the requirements of these specifications.

13. Cement shall not be rejected on account of failure to meet the fineness requirement if upon retest after drying at 100 deg. C. for 1 hr. it meets this requirement.

14. Cement failing to meet the test for soundness in steam may be accepted if it passes a retest using a new sample at any time within 28 days thereafter.

15. Packages varying more than 5 % from the specified weight may be rejected: and if the average weight of packages in any shipment, as shown by weighing 50 packages taken at random, is less than that specified, the entire shipment may be rejected.

[1] These specifications were adopted by letter ballot of the American Society for Testing Materials on Sept. 1, 1916, and became effective Jan. 1, 1917.

APPENDIX C

SPECIFICATIONS FOR STRUCTURAL STEEL FOR BUILDINGS

(American Society for Testing Materials)

I. Manufacture

1. *Process.*—(*a*) Structural steel, except as noted in Paragraph (*b*), may be made by the Bessemer or the open-hearth process.

(*b*) Rivet steel, and steel for plates or angles over ¾ in. in thickness which are to be punched, shall be made by the open-hearth process.

II. Chemical Properties and Tests

2. *Chemical Composition*[1].—The steel shall conform to the following requirements as to chemical composition:

		Structural Steel	Rivet Steel
Phosphorus	Bessemer	not over 0.10%	
	Open-hearth	not over 0.06%	not over 0.06%
Sulfur			not over 0.045%

3. *Ladle Analyses.*—An analysis of each melt of steel shall be made by the manufacturer to determine the percentages of carbon, manganese, phosphorus and sulfur. This analysis shall be made from a test ingot taken during the pouring of the melt. The chemical composition thus determined shall be reported to the purchaser or his representative, and shall conform to the requirements specified in Section 2.

4. *Check Analyses.*—Analyses may be made by the purchaser from finished material representing each melt. The phosphorus and sulfur content thus determined shall not exceed that specified in Section 2 by more than 25 per cent.

III. Physical Properties and Tests

5. *Tension Tests.*—(*a*) The material shall conform to the following requirements as to tensile properties:

Properties considered	Structural steel	Rivet steel
Tensile strength, lb. per sq. in.	55,000–65,000	46,000–56,000
Yield point, min., lb. per sq. in.	0.5 tens. str.	0.5 tens. str.
Elongation in 8 in., min., per cent	1,400,000* / Tens. str.	1,400,000 / Tens. str.
Elongation in 2 in., min., per cent	22	

* See Sect 6.

(*b*) The yield point shall be determined by the drop of the beam of the testing machine.

6. *Modifications in Elongation.*—(*a*) For structural steel over ¾ in. in thickness, a deduction of 1 from the percentage of elongation in 8 in. specified in Section 5(*a*) shall be made for each increase of ⅛ in. in thickness above ¾ in., to a minimum of 18 per cent.

(*b*) For structural steel under 5/16 in. in thickness, a deduction of 2.5 from the percentage of elongation in 8 in. specified in Section 5(*a*) shall be made for each decrease of 1/16 in. in thickness below 5/16 in.

7. *Bend Tests.*—(*a*) The test specimen for plates, shapes and bars, except as specified in Paragraphs (*b*) and (*c*), shall bend cold through 180 deg. without cracking on the outside of the bent portion, as follows: For material ¾ in. or under in thickness, flat on itself; for material over ¾ in. to and including 1¼ in. in thickness, around a pin the diameter of which is equal to the thickness of the specimen; and for material over 1¼ in. in thickness, around a pin the diameter of which is equal to twice the thickness of the specimen.

(*b*) The test specimen for pins, rollers and other bars, when prepared as specified in Section 8 (*e*), shall bend cold through 180 deg. around a 1-in. pin without cracking on the outside of the bent portion.

(*c*) The test specimen for rivet steel shall bend cold through 180 deg. flat on itself without cracking on the outside of the bent portion.

8. *Test Specimens.*—(*a*) Tension and bend test specimens shall be taken from rolled steel in the condition in which it comes from the rolls, except as specified in Paragraph (*b*).

[1] Until otherwise ordered by the Society, the rejection limits for sulfur in all steels and for phosphorus in acid steels shall be raised 0.01% above the values given in these specifications.

(*b*) Tension and bend test specimens for pins and rollers shall be taken from the finished bars, after annealing when annealing is specified.

(*c*) Tension and bend test specimens for plates, shapes, and bars, except as specified in Paragraphs (*d*), (*e*), and (*f*), shall be of the full thickness of material as rolled; and may be machined to the form and dimensions shown in Fig. 1, or with both edges parallel.

(*d*) Tension and bend test specimens for plates over 1½ in. in thickness may be machined to a thickness or diameter of at least ¾ in. for a length of at least 9 in.

(*e*) Tension test specimens for pins, rollers and bars over 1½ in. in thickness or diameter may conform to the dimensions shown in Fig. 2. In this case, the ends shall be of a form to fit the holders of the testing machine in such a way that the load shall be axial. Bend test specimens may be 1 by ½ in. in section. The axis of the specimen shall be located at any point midway between the center and surface and shall be parallel to the axis of the bar.

(*f*) Tension and bend test specimens for rivet steel shall be of the full-size section of bars as rolled.

9. *Number of Tests.*—(*a*) One tension and one bend test shall be made from each melt; except that if material from one melt differs ⅜ in. or more in thickness, one tension and one bend test shall be made from both the thickest and the thinnest material rolled.

(*b*) If any test specimen shows defective machining or develops flaws, it may be discarded and another specimen substituted.

(*c*) If the percentage of elongation of any tension test specimen is less than that specified in Section 5 (*a*) and any part of the fracture is more than ¾ in. from the center of the gage length of a 2-in. specimen or is outside the middle third of the gage length of an 8-in. specimen, as indicated by scribe scratches marked on the specimen before testing, a retest shall be allowed.

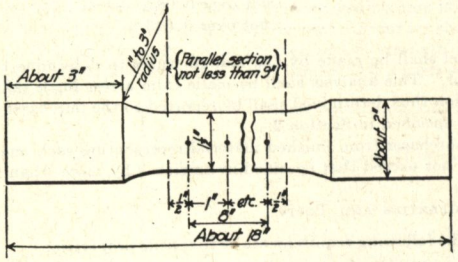


FIG. 1.

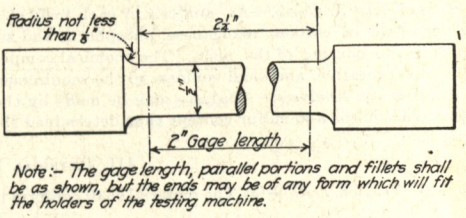


FIG. 2.

IV. PERMISSIBLE VARIATIONS IN WEIGHTS AND THICKNESS

10. *Permissible Variations.*—The cross section or weight of each piece of steel shall not vary more than 2.5 per cent. from that specified; except in the case of sheared plates, which shall be covered by the following permissible variations. One cubic inch of rolled steel is assumed to weight 0.2833 lb.

(*a*) *When Ordered to Weight per Square Foot*: The weight of each lot[2] in each shipment shall not vary from the weight ordered more than the amount given in Table I.

(*b*) *When Ordered to Thickness*: The thickness of each plate shall not vary more than 0.01 in. under that ordered. The overweight of each lot[2] in each shipment shall not exceed the amount given in Table II.

V. FINISH

11. *Finish.*—The finished material shall be free from injurious defects and shall have a workmanlike finish.

VI. MARKING

12. *Marking.*—The name or brand of the manufacturer and the melt number shall be legibly stamped or rolled on all finished material, except that rivet and lattice bars and other small sections shall, when loaded for shipment, be properly separated and marked for identification. The identification marks shall be legibly stamped on the end of each pin and roller. The melt number shall be legibly marked, by stamping if practicable, on each test specimen.

VII. INSPECTION AND REJECTION

13. *Inspection.*—The inspector representing the purchaser shall have free entry, at all times while work on the contract of the purchaser is being performed, to all parts of the manufacturers' works which concern the manufacture of the material ordered. The manufacturer shall afford the inspector, free of cost, all reasonable facilities to satisfy him that the material is being furnished in accordance with these specifications. All tests (except check analyses) and inspection shall be made at the place of manufacture prior to shipment, unless otherwise specified, and shall be so conducted as not to interfere unneccessarily with the operation of the works.

[1] The term "lot" applied to Table I means all the plates of each group width and group weight.

[2] The term "lot" applied to Table II means all the plates of each group width and group thickness.

14. *Rejection.*—(*a*) Unless otherwise specified, any rejection based on tests made in accordance with Section 4 shall be reported within five working days from the receipt of samples.

(*b*) Material which shows injurious defects subsequent to its acceptance at the manufacturer's works will be rejected, and the manufacturer shall be notified.

15. *Rehearing.*—Samples tested in accordance with Section 4, which represent rejected material, shall be preserved for two weeks from the date of the test report. In case of dissatisfaction with the results of the tests, the manufacturer may make claim for a rehearing within that time.

TABLE I.—PERMISSIBLE VARIATIONS ON PLATES ORDERED TO WEIGHT

Ordered weight (lb. per sq. ft.)	Permissible variations in average weights per square foot of plates for widths given, expressed in percentages of ordered weights																		Ordered weight (lb per sq. ft.)
	Under 48 in.		48 to 60 in., excl.		60 to 72 in., excl.		72 to 84 in., excl.		84 to 96 in., excl.		96 to 108 in., excl.		108 to 120 in., excl.		120 to 132 in., excl.		132 in. or over		
	Over	Under	Over	Under	Over	Under	Over	Under	Over	Under	Over	Under	Over	Under	Over	Under	Over	Under	
Under 5	5.0	3.0	5.5	3.0	6.0	3.0	7.0	3.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Under 5
5 to 7.5 excl	4.5	3.0	5.0	3.0	5.5	3.0	6.0	3.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5 to 7.5 excl.
7.5 to 10 excl	4.0	3.0	4.5	3.0	5.0	3.0	5.5	3.0	6.0	3.0	7.0	3.0	8.0	3.0	...	...	...	...	7.5 to 10 excl.
10 to 12.5 excl	3.5	2.5	4.0	3.0	4.5	3.0	5.0	3.0	5.5	3.0	6.0	3.0	7.0	3.0	8.0	3	9.0	3	10 to 12.5 excl.
12.5 to 15 excl	3.0	2.5	3.5	2.5	4.0	3.0	4.5	3.0	5.0	3.0	5.5	3.0	6.0	3.0	7.0	3	8.0	3	12.5 to 15 excl.
15 to 17.5 excl	2.5	2.5	3.0	2.5	3.5	2.5	4.0	3.0	4.5	3.0	5.0	3.0	5.5	3.0	6.0	3	7.0	3	15 to 17.5 excl.
17.5 to 20 excl	2.5	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	2.5	3.5	2.5	4.0	3.0	4.5	3.0	5.0	3.0	5.5	3	6.0	3	17.5 to 20 excl
20 to 25 excl	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	2.5	3.5	2.5	4.0	3.0	4.5	3.0	5.0	3	5.5	3	20 to 25 excl.
25 to 30 excl	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2 5	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	2.5	3.5	3.0	4.0	3.0	4.5	3	5.0	3	25 to 30 excl.
30 to 40 excl	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	2.5	3.5	3.0	4.0	3	4.5	3	30 to 40 excl.
40 or over	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	2.5	3.5	3	4.0	3	40 or over.

NOTE.—The weight per square foot of individual plates shall not vary from the ordered weight by more than 1½ times tne amount given in this table.

TABLE II.—PERMISSIBLE OVERWEIGHTS OF PLATES ORDERED TO THICKNESS

Ordered thickness (inches)	Permissible excess in average weights per square foot of plates for widths given, expressed in percentages of nominal weights									Ordered thickness (inches)
	Under 48 in.	48 to 60 in., excl.	60 to 72 in., excl.	72 to 84 in., excl.	84 to 96 in., excl.	96 to 108 in., excl.	108 to 120 in., excl.	120 to 132 in., excl.	132 in. or over	
Under 1/8	9.0	10.0	12.0	14.0	....	....	..	..	..	Under 1/8
1/8 to 3/16 excl	8.0	9.0	10.0	12.0	....	..	..	..	..	1/8 to 3/16 excl.
3/16 to 1/4 excl	7.0	8.0	9.0	10.0	12.0	..	..	..	..	3/16 to 1/4 excl.
1/4 to 5/16 excl	6.0	7.0	8.0	9.0	10.0	12.0	14	16	19	1/4 to 5/16 excl.
5/16 to 3/8 excl	5.0	6.0	7.0	8.0	9.0	10.0	12	14	17	5/16 to 3/8 excl.
3/8 to 7/16 excl	4.5	5.0	6.0	7.0	8.0	9.0	10	12	15	3/8 to 7/16 excl.
7/16 to 1/2 excl	4.0	4.5	5.0	6.0	7.0	8.0	9	10	13	7/16 to 1/2 excl.
1/2 to 5/8 excl	3.5	4.0	4.0	5.0	6.0	7.0	8	9	11	1/2 to 5/8 excl.
5/8 to 3/4 excl	3.0	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.0	6.0	7	8	9	5/8 to 3/4 excl.
3/4 to 1 excl	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.0	6	7	8	3/4 to 1 excl.
1 or over	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	4.5	5	6	7	1 or over

APPENDIX D

SPECIFICATIONS FOR CONCRETE REINFORCEMENT BARS

MANUFACTURERS' STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR CONCRETE REINFORCEMENT BARS ROLLED FROM BILLETS

1. *Manufacture.*—Steel may be made by either the open-hearth or Bessemer process. Bars shall be rolled from standard new billets.

2. *Chemical and Physical Properties.*—The chemical and physical properties shall conform to the limits as shown in the table on this page.

3. *Chemical Determinations.*—In order to determine if the material conforms to the chemical limitations prescribed in paragraph 2 herein, analysis shall be made by the manufacturer from a test ingot taken at the time of the pouring of each melt or blow of steel, and a correct copy of such analysis shall be furnished to the engineer or his inspector.

4. *Yield Point.*—For the purposes of these specifications, the yield point shall be determined by careful observation of the drop of the beam of the testing machine, or by other equally accurate method.

5. *Form of Specimens.*—(*a*) Tensile and bending test specimens may be cut from the bars as rolled, but tensile and bending test specimens of deformed bars may be planed or turned for a length of at least 9 in. if deemed necessary by the manufacturer in order to obtain uniform cross section.

(*b*) Tensile and bending test specimens of cold-twisted bars shall be cut from the bars after twisting, and shall be tested in full size without further treatment, unless otherwise specified as in (*c*), in which case the conditions thereon stipulated shall govern.

(*c*) If it is desired that the testing and acceptance for cold-twisted bars be made upon the hot-rolled bars before being twisted, the hot-rolled bars shall meet the requirements of the structural-steel grade for plain bars shown in this specification.

Properties considered	Structural-steel grade		Intermediate grade		Hard grade		Cold-twisted bars
	Plain bars	Deformed bars	Plain bars	Deformed bars	Plain bars	Deformed bars	
Phosphorus maximum: Bessemer	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0 10	0.10	0.10
Open-hearth	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06
Ultimate tensile strength, lb. per sq. in.	55/70,000	55/70,000	70/85,000	70/85,000	80,000 min	80,000 min.	Recorded only
Yield point, minimum, lb. per sq. in.	33,000	33,000	40,000	40,000	50,000	50,000	55,000
Elongation, % in 8-in. minimum	1,400,000 Tens. str.	1,250,000 Tens. str.	1,300,000 Tens. str.	1,125,000 Tens. str.	1,200,000 Tens. str.	1,000,000 Tens. str.	5%
Cold bend without fracture: Bars under ¾-in. diameter or thickness	180 deg. $d = 1t$	180 deg. $d = 2t$	180 deg. $d = 2t$	180 deg. $d = 3t$	180 deg. $d = 3t$	180 deg. $d = 4t$	180 deg. $d = 2t$
Bars ¾-in. diameter or thickness and over	180 deg. $d = 1t$	180 deg. $d = 2t$	90 deg. $d = 2t$	90 deg. $d = 3t$	90 deg. $d = 3t$	90 deg. $d = 4t$	180 deg. $d = 3t$
The intermediate and hard grades will be used only when specified.							

6. *Number of Tests.*—(*a*) At least one tensile and one bending test shall be made from each melt of open-hearth steel rolled, and from each blow or lot of 10 tons of Bessemer steel rolled. In case bars differing ⅜ in. and more in diameter or thickness are rolled from one melt or blow, a test shall be made from the thicknest and thinnest material rolled. Should either of these test specimens develop flaws, or should the tensile test specimen break outside of the middle third of its gaged strength, it may be discarded and another test specimen substituted therefor. In case a tensile test specimen does not meet the specifications, an additional test may be made.

(*b*) The bending test may be made by pressure or by light blows.

7. *Modifications in Elongation for Thin and Thick Material.*—For bars less than 7/16 in. and more than 3/4 in. nominal diameter or thickness, the following modifications shall be made in the requirements for elongation.

(*a*) For each increase of 1/8 in. in diameter or thickness above 3/4 in. a deduction of 1 shall be made from the specified percentage of elongation.

(*b*) For each decrease of 1/16 in. in diameter or thickness below 7/16 in. a deduction of 1 shall be made from the specified percentage of elongation.

(*c*) The above modifications in elongation shall not apply to cold-twisted bars.

8. *Number of Twists.*—Cold-twisted bars shall be twisted cold with one complete twist in length equal to not more than 12 times the thickness of the bar.

9. *Finish.*—Material must be free from injurious seams, flaws, or cracks, and have a workmanlike finish.

10. *Variation in Weight.*—Bars for reinforcement are subject to rejection if the actual weight of any lot varies more than 5% over or under the theoretical weight of that lot.

STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR BILLET-STEEL CONCRETE REINFORCEMENT BARS

(American Society for Testing Materials)

1. (*a*) These specifications cover three classes of billet-steel concrete reinforcement bars, namely: plain, deformed, and cold-twisted.

(*b*) Plain and deformed bars are of three grades, namely; structural-steel, intermediate, and hard.

2. (*a*) The structural-steel grade shall be used unless otherwise specified.

(*b*) If desired, cold-twisted bars may be purchased on the basis of tests of the hot-rolled bars before twisting in which case such tests shall govern and shall conform to the requirements specified for plain bars of structura, steel grade.

3. *Manufacture.*—(*a*) The steel may be made by the Bessemer or open-hearth process.

(*b*) The bars shall be rolled from new billets. No re-rolled material will be accepted.

4. Cold-twisted bars shall be twisted cold with one complete twist in a length not over 12 times the thickness of the bar.

5. *Chemical Properties and Tests.*—The steel shall conform to the following requirements as to chemical composition:

Phosphorus, Bessemer	not over 0.10%
Open-hearth	not over 0.05%

6. An analysis of each melt of steel shall be made by the manufacturer to determine the percentages of carbon, manganese, phosphorus and sulphur. This analysis shall be made from a test ingot taken during the pouring of the melt. The chemical composition thus determined shall be reported to the purchaser or his representative, and shall conform to the requirements specified in Sect. 5.

7. Analyses may be made by the purchaser from finished bars representing each melt of open-hearth steel, and each melt, or lot of 10 tons, of Bessemer steel. The phosphorus content thus determined shall not exceed that specified in Sect. 5 by more than 25%.

8. *Physical Properties and Tests.*—(*a*) The bars shall conform to the following requirements as to tensile properties:

Properties considered	Plain bars			Deformed bars			Cold-twisted bars
	Structural-steel grade	Intermediate grade	Hard grade	Structural-steel grade	Intermediate grade	Hard grade	
Tensile strength, lb. per sq. in.	55,000 to 70,000	70,000 to 85,000	80,000 min.	55,000 to 70,000	70,000 to 85,000	80,000 min.	Recorded only
Yield point, min., lb. per sq. in.	33,000	40,000	50,000	33,000	40,000	50,000	55,000
Elongation in 8 in. min. %[1]	1,400,000 / Tens. str.	1,300,000 / Tens. str.	1,200,000 / Tens. str.	1,250,000 / Tens. str.	1,125,000 / Tens. str.	1,000,000 / Tens. str.	5

[1] See Sect. 9.

(*b*) The yield point shall be determined by the drop of the beam of the testing machine.

9. (*a*) For plain and deformed bars over 3/4 in. in thickness or diameter, a deduction of 1 from the percentages of elongation specified in Sect. 8(*a*) shall be made for each increase of 1/8 in. in thickness or diameter above 3/4 in.

(*b*) For plain and deformed bars under 7/16 in. in thickness or diameter, a deduction of 1 from the percentages of elongation specified in Sect. 8(*a*) shall be made for each decrease of 1/16 in. in thickness or diameter below 7/16 in.

10. The test specimen shall bend cold around a pin without cracking on the outside of the bent portion, as follows:

Thickness or diameter of bar	Plain bars			Deformed bars			Cold-twisted bars
	Structural-steel grade	Intermediate grade	Hard grade	Structural-steel grade	Intermediate grade	Hard grade	
Under 3/4 in.	180 deg. $d = t$	180 deg. $d = 2t$	180 deg. $d = 3t$	180 deg. $d = t$	180 deg. $d = 3t$	180 deg. $d = 4t$	180 deg. $d = 2t$
3/4 in. or over	180 deg. $d = t$	90 deg. $d = 2t$	90 deg. $d = 3t$	180 deg. $d = 2t$	90 deg. $d = 3t$	90 deg. $d = 4t$	180 deg. $d = 3t$

d = diameter of pin about which the specimen is bent.
t = thickness or diameter of specimen.

11. (*a*) Tension and bend test specimens for plain and deformed bars shall be taken from the finished bars and shall be of the full thickness or diameter of bars as rolled; except that the specimens for deformed bars may be machined for a length of at least 9 in., if deemed necessary by the manufacturer to obtain uniform cross-section.

(*b*) Tension and bend test specimens for cold-twisted bars shall be taken from the finished bars, without further treatment; except as specified in Sect. 2(*b*).

12. (*a*) One tension and one bend test shall be made from each melt of open-hearth steel, and from each melt, or lot of 10 tons, of Bessemer steel; except that if material from one melt differs 3/8 in. or more in thickness or diameter, one tension and one bend shall be made from both the thickest and the thinnest material rolled.

(*b*) If any test specimen shows defective machining or develops flaws, it may be discarded and another specimen substituted.

(*c*) If the percentage of elongation of any tension test specimen is less than that specified in Sect. 8(*a*) and any part of the fracture is outside the middle third of the gage length, as indicated by scribe scratches marked on the specimen before testing, a retest shall be allowed.

13. *Permissible Variations in Weight.*—The weight of any lot of bars shall not vary more than 5% from the theoretical weight of that lot.

14. *Finish.*—The finished bars shall be free from injurious defects and shall have a workmanlike finish.

15. *Inspection and Rejection.*—The inspector representing the purchaser shall have free entry, at all times while work on the contract of the purchaser is being performed, to all parts of the manufacturer's works which concern the manufacture of the bars ordered. The manufacturer shall afford the inspector, free of cost, all reasonable facilities to satisfy him that the bars are being furnished in accordance with these specifications. All tests (except check analyses) and inspection shall be made at the place of manufacture prior to shipment, unless otherwise specified, and shall be so conducted as not to interfere unneccessarily with the operation of the works.

16. (*a*) Unless otherwise specified, any rejection based on tests made in accordance with Sect. 7 shall be reported within 5 working days from the receipt of the samples.

(*b*) Bars which show injurious defects subsequent to their acceptance at the manufacturer's works shall be rejected, and the manufacturer shall be notified.

17. Samples tested in accordance with Sect. 7, which represent rejected bars, shall be preserved for 2 weeks from the date of the test report. In case of dissatisfaction with the results of the tests, the manufacturer may make claim for a rehearing within that time.

MANUFACTURERS' STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR RAIL-STEEL CONCRETE REINFORCEMENT BARS

1. *Manufcture.*—All steel shall be rolled from standard section Tee rails.

2. *Physical Properties.*—The physical properties shall conform to the following limits:

3. *Yield Point.*—For the purposes of these specifications, the yield point shall be determined by careful observation of the drop of the beam of the testing machine, or by other equally accurate method.

4. *Form of Specimens.*—(*a*) Tensile and bending test specimens may be cut from the bars as rolled, but tensile and bending test specimens of deformed bars may be planed or turned for a length of at least 9 in. if deemed necessary by the manufacturer in order to obtain uniform cross section.

(*b*) Tensile and bending test specimens of hot-twisted bars shall be cut from the bars after twisting, and shall be tested in full size without further treatment, unless otherwise specified.

Properties considered	Rail-steel grade	
	Plain bars	Deformed and hot-twisted bars
Ultimate tensile strength, minimum, lb. per sq. in	80,000	80,000
Yield point, minimum, lb. per sq. in	50,000	50,000
Elongation, % in 8-in. minimum,	1,200,000 / Tens. str.	1,000,000 / Tens. str.
Cold bend without fracture; Bars under ¾ in. diameter or thickness	180 deg. $d = 3t$	180 deg. $d = 4t$
Bars ¾ in diameter or thickness and over	90 deg. $d = 3t$	90 deg. $d = 4t$

5. *Number of Tests.*—(*a*) One tensile and one bending test shall be made from each lot of 10 tons or less of each size of bar rolled from rails varying not more than 10 lb. per yd. in nominal weight. Should a test specimen develop flaws, or should the tensile test specimen break outside of the middle third of its gaged length, it may be discarded and another test specimen substituted therefor. In case a tensile specimen does not meet the specifications, an additional test may be made.

(*b*) The bending test may be made by pressure or by light blows.

6. *Modifications in Elongation for Thin and Thick Material.*—For bars less than 7/16 in. and more than ¾ in. nominal diameter or thickness, the following modifications shall be made in the requirements for elongation:

(*a*) For each increase of ⅛ in. in diameter or thickness above ¾ in., a deduction of 1 shall be made from the specified percentage of elongation.

(*b*) For each decrease of 1/16 in. in diameter or thickness below 7/16 in., a deduction of 1 shall be made from the specified percentage of elongation.

7. *Number of Twists.*—Hot-twisted bars of rail carbon steel shall be twisted with one complete twist in a length equal to not more than 12 times the thickness of the bar.

8. *Finish.*—Material must be free from injurious seams, flaws, or cracks, and have a workmanlike finish.

9. *Variation in Weight.*—Bars for reinforcement are subject to rejection if the actual weight of any lot varies more than 5% over or under the theoretical weight of that lot.

STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR RAIL-STEEL CONCRETE REINFORCEMENT BARS

(American Society for Testing Materials)

1. The specifications cover three classes of rail-steel concrete reinforcement bars, namely: plain, deformed, and hot-twisted.

2. *Manufacture.*—The bars shall be rolled from standard section Tee rails.

3. Hot-twisted bars shall have one complete twist in a length not over 12 times the thickness of the bar.

Properties considered	Plain bars	Deformed and hot-twisted bars
Tensile strength, lb. per sq. in	80,000	80,000
Yield point, lb. per sq. in	50,000	50,000
Elongation in 8 in., %[1]	1,200,000 / Tens. str.	1,000,000 / Tens. str.

[1] See Sect. 5.

4. *Physical Properties and Tests.*—(*a*) The bars shall conform to the following minimum requirements as to tensile properties:

(*b*) The yield point shall be determined by the drop of the beam of the testing machine.

5. (*a*) For bars over ¾ in. in thickness or diameter, a deduction of 1 from the percentages of elongation specified in Sect. 4 (*a*) shall be made for each increase of ⅛ in. in thickness or diameter above ¾ in.

(*b*) For bars under 7/16 in. in thickness or diameter, a deduction of 1 from the percentages of elongation specified in Sect. 4(*a*) shall be made for each decrease of 1/16 in. in thickness or diameter below 7/16 in.

6. The test specimen shall bend cold around a pin without cracking on the outside of the bent portion, as follows:

Thickness of diameter of bar	Plain bars	Deformed and hot-twisted bars
Under ¾ in.	180 deg. $d = 3t$	180 deg. $d = 4t$
¾ in. or over	90 deg. $d = 3t$	90 deg. $d = 4t$

7. (*a*) Tension and bend test specimens for plain and deformed bars shall be taken from the finished bars, and shall be of the full thickness or diameter of bars as rolled; except that the specimens for deformed bars may be machined for a length of at least 9 in., if deemed necessary by the manufacturer to obtain uniform cross section.

(*b*) Tension and bend test specimens for hot-twisted bars shall be taken from the finished bars, without further treatment.

8. (*a*) One tension and one bend test shall be made from each lot of 10 tons or less of each size of bar rolled from rails varying not more than 10 lb. per yd. in nominal weight.

(*b*) If any test specimen shows defective machining or develops flaws, it may be discarded and another specimen substituted.

(*c*) If the percentage of elongation of any tension test specimen is less than that specified in Sect. 4(*a*) and any part of the fracture is outside the middle third of the gage length, as indicated by scribe scratches marked on the specimen before testing, a retest shall be allowed.

9. *Permissible Variations in Weight.*—The weight of any lot of bars shall not vary more than 5% from the theoretical weight of that lot.

10. *Finish.*—The finished bars shall be free from injurious defects and shall have a workmanlike finish.

11. *Inspection and Rejection.*—The inspector representing the purchaser shall have free entry, at all times while work on the contract of the purchaser is being performed, to all parts of the manufacturer's works which concern the manufacture of the bars ordered. The manufacturer shall afford the inspector, free of cost, all reasonable facilities to satisfy him that the bars are being furnished in accordance with these specifications. All tests and inspection shall be made at the place of manufacture prior to shipment, unless otherwise specified, and shall be so conducted as not to interfere unnecessarily with the operation of the works.

12. Bars which show injurious defects subsequent to their acceptance at the manufacturer's works will be ejected, and the manufacturer shall be notified.

APPENDIX E

SPECIFICATIONS FOR CONCRETE BUILDING STONE

NEW YORK SPECIFICATIONS FOR CAST STONE

"Specifications for Cast Concrete Stone as used by the State of New York for the Construction of State Fair Buildings"* are in part as follows:

All cast stone shall be made of Portland cement, such as will pass the standard specifications of the American Society for Testing Materials, and of a brand satisfactory to the architects, mixed with an aggregate, of uniform color and texture, and free from iron and other foregin material liable to discoloration. Aggregates shall be crushed *granite* or hard *marble*.

The cement and aggregates shall be thoroughly mixed in a proportion of 1 part of cement to not over 6 or less than 4 parts of aggregate. The aggregate shall be made by crushing selected pieces of stone to insure uniform color and texture and shall be screened into at least three sizes, the largest of which shall not exceed that which passes a ring ½ in. in diameter, and there shall be at least 50% of such a size of aggregate that will not pass a ring ⅛ in. in diameter. The various sizes shall be used in proportions to give maximum density and all measured by weight.

The concrete for making the cast stone shall be mixed with not less than 15% of water by weight and shall be mixed by a machine, preferably of the rotary type. If cast in a semi-liquid condition, it shall be constantly agitated, and *continuously* deposited in the mold.

All casts shall be properly seasoned by being kept moist and away from the sun's rays and draughts for at least 10 days after being made.

After having been seasoned for at least 10 days, all exposed plain surfaces of the stone shall be tooled with a drove finish of 4 cuts or 6 cuts to the inch, or such other finish, as the architects shall specify. The tooling shall preferably be done by grinding the grooves by the use of an abrasive material so that the larger aggregates will not be distributed or in any way shattered.

All surfaces of cast stone to be true and without hollows and other than plain surfaces to be recut as necessary to make perfect. Models of all ornament to be furnished for architect's approval, and all stone to be finished true to such models.

All cast stone shall be of such quality that it will pass a test at the age of 28 days of at least 1500 lb. compression per sq. in., and shall not have an absorption to exceed 5% of weight when thoroughly dried and immersed in water for 48 hr.

All lintels, bearing stones, and other subjected to cross-bending shall be reinforced by means of steel rods placed about 2 in. from their tension surface and the total sectional area of the steel shall be equal to ½ to 1% of the cross-sectional area of the concrete in the member reinforced. When any cast exceeds in any dimension 8 times its least dimension, it shall be reinforced to insure safety in handling.

Samples of cast stone on which bids are based shall be submitted for approval. Said samples to be *retained* by the architect. Preference shall be given to stone cast in an *established* factory, and contractor must be able to show work of a similar character that he has erected, and same must meet the approval of the architect. All casts shall be provided with steel bonds for the purpose of tying into the masonry backing and with hooks for handling and lifting which shall be placed in the stone when cast.

Cast stone need *not* be plastered on back with La Farge cement, nor *need* it be painted as specified for Indiana limestone.

AMERICAN CONCRETE INSTITUTE SPECIFICATIONS

Standard specifications (Standard No. 10) and building regulations for the manufacture and use of concrete architectural stone, building block and brick of the American Concrete Institute, adopted in 1917, provide as follows:

1. Concrete architectural stone and building block for solid and hollow walls and concrete brick made in accordance with the following specifications and meeting the requirements thereof, may be used in building construction.

2. *Tests.*—Concrete architectural stone, building blocks for hollow and solid walls and concrete brick must be subjected to (*a*) compression (*b*) absorption tests. All tests must be made in a testing laboratory of recognized standing.

**Concrete*, Feb., 1913, p. 61.

3. *Ultimate Compressive Strength.*—(*a*) Solid concrete stone, building blocks and brick. In the case of solid stone, blocks and brick, the ultimate compressive strength at 28 days must average not less than 1500 lb. per sq. in. of gross cross-sectional area of the stone as used in the wall, and must not fall below 1000 lb. per sq. in. in any test.

(*b*) Hollow and two-piece building blocks. The ultimate compressive strength of hollow and two-piece building blocks at 28 days must avergae 1000 lb. per sq. in. of gross cross-sectional area of the block as used in the wall, and must not fall below 700 lb. per sq. in. in any test.

4. *Gross Cross-Sectional Areas.*—(*a*) Solid concrete stone, blocks and brick. The cross-sectional area shall be considered as the minimum area in compression.

(*b*) Hollow building blocks. In the case of hollow building blocks, the gross cross-sectional area shall be considered as the product of the length by the width of the block. No allowance shall be made for the air space of the block.

(*c*) Two-piece building blocks. In the case of two-piece building blocks, if only one block is tested at a time, the gross cross-sectional area shall be regarded as the product of the length of the block by one-half the width of the wall for which the block is intended. If two blocks are tested together, then the gross cross-sectional area shall be regarded as the product of the length of the block by the full width of the wall for which the block is intended.

5. *Absorption.*—The absorption at 28 days (being the weight of the water absorbed divided by the weight of the dry sample) must not exceed 10% when tested as hereinafter specified.

6. *Samples.*—At least six samples must be provided for the purpose of testing. Such samples must represent the ordinary commercial product. In cases where the material is made an used in special shapes and forms too large for testing in the ordinary machine, smaller specimens shall be used as may be directed. Whenever possible, the tests shall be made on full sized samples.

7. *Compression Tests.*—Compression tests shall be made as follows: The sample to be tested must be carefully measured and then bedded in plaster of paris or other cementitious material, in order to secure uniform bearing in the testing machine. It shall then be loaded to failure. The compressive strength in pounds per square inch of gross cross-sectional area shall be regarded as the quotient obtained by dividing the total applied load in pounds by the gross cross-sectional area, which area shall be expressed in square inches computed according to Art. 4.

When such tests must be made on cut sections of blocks, the pieces of the block must first be carefully measured. The samples shall then be bedded to secure uniform bearing, and loaded to failure. In this case, however, the compressive strength in pounds per square inch of net area must be obtained and the net area shall be regarded as the minimum bearing area in compression. The average of the compressive strength of the two portions of blocks shall be regarded as the compressive strength of the samples submitted. This net compressive strength shall then be reduced to compressive strength in pounds per square inch of gross cross-sectional area as follows:

The net area of a full sized block shall be carefully calculated and the total compressive strength of the block will be obtained by multiplying this area by the net compressive strength obtained above. This total gross compressive strength shall be divided by the gross cross-sectional area as figured by Art. 4, to obtain the compressive strength in pounds per square inch of gross cross-sectional area.

When testing other than rectangular blocks, great care must be taken to apply the load at the center of gravity of the specimen.

8. *Absorption Tests.*—The samples shall be first thoroughly dried to a constant weight at a temperature not to exceed 212 deg. F., and the weight recorded. After drying, the sample shall be immersed in clean water for a period of 48 hr. The sample shall then be removed, the surface wiped off, and the sample reweighed. The percentage of absorption shall be regarded as tne weight of the water absorbed divided by the weight of the dry sample multiplied by 100.

9. *Limit of Loading.*—(*a*) Hollow walls of concrete building blocks. The load on any hollow walls of concrete blocks, including the superimposed weight of the wall, shall not exceed 167 lb. per sq. in. of gross area. If the floor loads are carried on girders or joists resting on cement pilasters filled in place with slush concrete mixed in proportion of 1 part cement, not to exceed 2 parts of sand and 4 parts of gravel or crushed stone, said pilasters may be loaded not to exceed 300 lb. per sq. in. of gross cross-sectional area.

(*b*) Solid walls of concrete blocks. Solid walls built of architectural stone, blocks or brick and laid in Portland cement mortar or hollow block walls filled with concrete shall not be loaded to exceed 300 lb. per sq. in. of gross cross-sectional area.

10. *Girders and Joists.*—Wherever girders or joists rest upon walls in such a manner as to cause concentrated loads over 4000 lb., the blocks supporting the girders or joist must be made solid for at least 8 in. from the inside face of the wall, except where a suitable bearing plate is provided to distribute the load over a sufficient area to reduce the stress so it will conform to the requirements of Art. 9.

When the combined live and dead floor loads exceed 60 lb. per sq. ft. the floor joists shall rest on a steel plate not less than $\frac{3}{8}$ of an inch thick and of a width $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 in. less than the wall thickness. In lieu of said steel plate the joists may rest on a solid block, which may be 3 and 4 in. less in wall thickness than the building wall, except in instances where the wall is 8 in. thick, in which cases the solid blocks shall be the same thickness as the building wall.

11. *Thickness of Walls.*—(*a*) Thickness of bearing walls shall be such as will conform to the limit of loading given in Art. 9. In no instance shall bearing walls be less than 8 in. thick. Hollow walls 8 in. thick shall not be over 16 ft. high for 1 story or more than a total of 24 ft. for 2 stories.

(*b*) Walls of residences and buildings commonly known as apartment buildings not exceeding 4 stories in height, in which the dead floor load does not exceed 60 lb. or the live load 60 lb. per sq. ft., shall have a minimum thickness, in inches as shown in Table 1.

TABLE 1.

No. of stories	Basement (in.)	1st story (in.)	2d story (in.)	3d story (in.)	4th story (in.)
1	8	8			
2	10	8	8		
3	12	12	10	8	
4	16	12	12	10	8

12. *Variation in Thickness of Walls.*—(a) Wherever walls are decreased in thickness, the top course of the thicker wall shall afford a solid bearing for the webs or walls of the course of the concrete block above.

13. *Bonding and Bearing Walls.*—Where the face wall is constructed of both hollow concrete blocks and brick, the facing shall be bonded into the backing, either with headers projecting 4 in. into the brick work, every fourth course being a header course, or with approved ties, no brick backing to be less than 8 in. thick. Where the walls are made entirely of concrete blocks, but where said blocks have not the same width as the wall, every fifth course shall overlap the course below by not less than 4 in. unless the wall system alternates the cross bond through the wall in each course.

14. *Curtain Walls.*—For curtain walls the limit of loading shall be the same as given in Art. 9. In no instance shall curtain walls be less than 8 in. in thickness.

15. *Party Walls.*—Walls of hollow concrete block used in the construction of party walls shall be filled in place with concrete in the proportion and manner described in Art. 9.

16. *Partition Walls.*—Hollow partition walls of concrete blocks may be of the same thickness as required in hollow tile terra cotta or plaster blocks for like purposes.

APPENDIX F

GENERAL MECHANICAL PROPERTIES OF VARIOUS AMERICAN TIMBERS

(Taken from Bul. No. 556 of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture)

Table 1 makes available for general use data which will serve as a basis for (1) the comparison of species, (2) the choice of species for particular uses, and (3) the establishment of corrected working stresses.

With such test data at hand it is possible to compare the properties of a known species with those of another. The possibility of substitution generally reduces to the few species which possess qualities approaching those previously in use. If the properties making a particular wood valuable for a certain purpose are known, the comparison is made the easier.

As an example of the foregoing, suppose it is desired to find a wood for flooring for use in the place of maple. For flooring, hardness is the ruling factor, providing, of course, the wood possesses other strength properties to a reasonable degree. Using hardness as a basis of comparison, white oak should be as good or better than maple for flooring, which is true. Using modulus of rupture, which is a very important strength value in structural material but of very little importance in flooring, as a basis for comparison, long leaf pine or Douglas fir would unjustly be given preference to oak.

Scope and Method of Experiments.—The data in this bulletin (No. 556) are based upon about 130,000 tests, probably the greatest number ever made in one series upon any material.

Small clear specimens are used in the tests in order that consideration of the influence of defects may be eliminated from calculations to determine the relation between strength and density, moisture, locality of growth, soil conditions, etc. The specimens are 2 × 2 in. in cross section. Bending specimens are 30 in. long; others shorter, depending on the kind of test.

The material for any given species and locality is cut from typical trees, usually five in number. These are selected as representatives of the Forest Service, careful descriptions being made of each tree and of the conditions under which it has grown.

Data derived from tests previously made by the Forest Service and under practically the same conditions as the present series are included in the Table.

Precautions to be Observed in the Use of the Data.—Careful attention must be given to the natural variability of timber in order to make correct use of timber test data. The following suggestions are offered as a guide to the use of the data given herein:

In comparing the data with those in other publications, it must be kept in mind that scarcely any two series of tests have been made under the same conditions and that very frequently so little is specified concerning the character of the material and the methods of test as to make close comparisons impossible. Also, in making comparisons, it is important that the data should really be representative of the classes of material which it is proposed to compare. For example, it is not just to take the figures derived from Rocky Mountain Douglas fir, which is known to be inferior to the Pacific coast type, as representative of the coast fir. Nor in general can a comparison of species properly be made from results of tests on large timbers alone; for in practically all cases the large timbers tested have not been selected as representative of the species, but have been chosen to determine the effect of defects, the effect of preservative treatment, or for the solution of other and similar problems.

Differences in strength (of the same timber) are usually due to differences in defects, moisture content, or density, or to combinations of these. Defects are not considered in this publication.

Differences of moisture content cause considerable variation in the strength values of air-dry or partially air-dry material, but have no effect as long as all material is thoroughly green.

One of the principal factors causing differences in strength is variable density. As might be expected, the greater the density of a given stick or the more wood it has per unit volume, the stronger is the stick.

Considerable confusion often arises from the use of general terms in a limited sense, or with different meanings by different persons. For instance, strength, in the broad sense of the word, is the summation of the mechanical properties or the ability of a material to resist stresses or deformations of various sorts. While such properties as hardness, stiffness, and toughness are not always thought of in connection with the term "strength," they are unconsciously included when, in a specific instance, they are important. This may be illustrated by some comparisons of oak and longleaf pine. For floor beams or posts, the pine, because of its strength and stiffness as a beam, has a slight advantage over the oak and is considered "stronger." For handles, vehicle or implement parts, oak, because of its greater toughness, or shock-resisting ability, is decidedly superior to the pine and is considered "stronger." Thus it is seen that the term "strength" may refer to any one of many properties or combinations of properties, and is necessarily indefinite in meaning unless so modified as to indicate one particular thing. To say, then, that one species is stronger than another is a meaningless statement unless it is specified in what particular respect it excels.

The term strength, in its more restricted sense, is the ability to resist stress of a single kind, or the stresses developed in one kind of a constructional member, as strength in shear, strength in compression, strength as a beam, strength as a column. Used in this way, the term is specific and allows no chance of confusion.

There are many properties of wood, such as taste imparted to foodstuffs, odor, ease of working ability to take finish and to maintain shape, resistance to decay, etc., which, of course, are not given in the accompanying table, but which are very important in some uses to which timber is put. In very few instances will strength data of themselves be sufficient to determine the value of a species for a given use.

The accompanying table gives the values obtained from tests on green material. It will be noted that there is a large variation in the moisture content of the various species. All, however, were tested at approximately the moisture content of the living tree and are well above the limit below which differences in moisture content produce differences in strength.

Explanation of Table—*Names of Species.*—The common and botanical names used in the table are given in Forest Service Bulletin No. 17.

Localities Where Grown.—In the second column of the table are listed the States in which the test specimens originated. The locality of growth has in some cases an influence on the strength of timber. This influence, however, is usually overestimated.

Number of Rings per Inch.—Rings per inch is an inverse measure of the rate of growth. It is taken along a radial line on the end section of each specimen. One ring, consisting of a band of springwood and a band of summerwood, is formed by each year's growth; consequently, few rings per inch indicate fast growth, and vice versa.

Summerwood.—The amount of summerwood is expressed in per cent of the entire cross section. It is measured along a representative radial line.

Moisture Content.—Moisture content is the weight of water contained in the wood, expressed in per cent of the oven-dry weight of the wood. Moisture content is determined by weighing a small section of the test specimen and then drying it at 100 deg. C. in freely circulating air until its weight becomes constant; the loss of weight is then divided by the dry weight to give the proportion of moisture, and this is usually expressed in per cent of the dry weight. Consequently "moisture" as determined includes any other substances besides water volatile at 100 deg. C. which may be in the wood.

Specific Gravity.—Specific gravity is the weight of any given substance divided by the weight of an equal volume of pure water at its greatest density.

Specific Gravity Based on Volume When Green.—In the determination of the figures for specific gravity based on volume when green the test specimens are weighed and measured when green. Their oven-dry weight is then computed by dividing the weight when green by 1 plus the proportion of moisture, moisture being determined as described in previous paragraphs. The specific gravity data based on green volume are more reliable than the data based on air-dry or oven-dry volume because they are based on the largest number of determinations, and these determinations are unaffected by the shrinkage of the wood. Specific gravity so determined is, aside from actual strength data, the best criterion of the strength of clear wood of any species.

Specific Gravity Based on Oven-dry Volume.—In determining the specific gravity based on oven-dry volume, the volume as well as the weight is taken after the specimens are dried to a practically constant weight in air at 100 deg. C. The difference between specific gravity based on green volume and that on oven-dry volume is due to the shrinkage, and one may be determined from the other if the shrinkage in volume is known. Specific gravity on oven-dry volume = specific gravity based on volume when green + (1 − the shrinkage).

Weight per Cubic Foot Green.—Weight per cubic foot green is the weight per cubic foot of the wood (including moisture) as it comes from the living tree.

Shrinkage from Green to Oven Dry.—When wood is dried below the fiber saturation point, shrinkage begins and continues until the moisture is all driven off. Shrinkage along the length of timber is very small. Shrinkage in directions at right angles to the grain is very much greater and varies from 2 or 3 % to about 20 %. Radial shrinkage is about three-fifths as great as tangential shrinkage. Shrinkage in volume is of course, the resultant of shrinkages along the fibers and in the radial and tangential directions. However, shrinkage in volume and radial and tangential shrinkages were independently determined in the present series of tests. The first was determined from four specimens, and each of the others from one specimen from each tree.

All shrinkages given are expressed in percentages of the original or green dimensions, and are total shrinkages to zero moisture. Shrinkage to an air dry condition of about 12 % moisture is sometimes more and sometimes less than half the total shrinkage. At about 12 % moisture the volume changes by about one-half of 1 % for each moisture content change of 1 %. Shrinkage in volume is important in measuring cordwood.

Radial shrinkage is the measure of the change in width of a quarter-sawed or edge-grain board. In most species at about 12 % moisture a moisture content change of 1 % may be expected to cause a change of about $\frac{3}{16}$ of 1 % in the width of such a board. This is equivalent to $\frac{3}{32}$ of an inch change in the width of a 10-in. board for a 5 % change in moisture ($5 \times \frac{3}{16}$ % of 10 in. = $\frac{3}{32}$ in.).

Tangential shrinkage is the measure of the change in width of a flat sawed board. At about 12 % moisture a moisture content change of 1 % may be expected to cause a change of about $\frac{5}{16}$ of 1 % in the width of such a board, which is equivalent to $\frac{5}{32}$ of an inch change in the width of a 10-in. board for 5 % change in moisture.

Work to Elastic Limit.—Work to elastic limit in static bending is a measure of the work which a beam is able to resist or the shock which it can absorb without being stressed beyond the elastic limit as determined under slowly applied loads.

Work to Maximum Load.—Work or maximum load in static bending represents the ability of the timber to absorb shock with a slight permanent or semi-permanent deformation and with some injury to the timber. Wood,

RESULTS OF TESTS ON 126 SPECIES OF WOOD TESTED IN A GREEN CONDITION IN THE FORM OF SMALL CLEAR PIECES

(Test specimens are 2 by 2 in. in section. Bending specimens are cut 30 in. long; others are shorter, depending on kind of test.)

Common and botanical name	Locality where grown	Number of trees	Number of rings per inch	Summerwood (%)	Moisture content (%)	Specific gravity, oven dry, based on		Wgt. per cu. ft. (green) (pounds)	Shrinkage from green to oven-dry condition			Static bending					Impact bending			Compression parallel to grain		Compression perpendicular to grain—fiber stress at elastic limit (lb. per sq. in.)	Shearing strength parallel to grain (lb. per sq. in.)	Tension perpendicular to grain (lb. per sq. in.)	Hardness load required to imbed a 0.444-in. ball to ½ its diameter	
						Volume when green	Volume when oven-dry		In volume (% of dimension when green)	Radial (% of dimension when green)	Tangential (% of dimension when green)	Fiber stress at elastic limit (lb. per sq. in.)	Modulus of rupture (lb. per sq. in.)	Modulus of elasticity (1000 lb. per sq. in.)	Work in bending		Fiber stress at elastic limit (lb. per sq. in.)	Work in bending to elastic limit (in.-lb. per cu. in.)	Height of drop causing complete failure, 50-lb. hammer (inches)	Fiber stress at elastic limit (lb. per sq. in.)	Maximum crushing strength (lb. per sq. in.)				End (pounds)	Side (pounds)
															To elastic limit (inch-pounds per cu. in.)	To maximum load (inch-pounds per cu. in.)										
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Hardwoods																										
Alder, red (*Alnus oregona*)	Wash.	6	11	..	98	0.37	0.43	46	12.6	4.4	7.3	3800	6500	1170	0.70	8.0	8000	2.6	22	2650	2960	310	770	390	550	440
Ash, biltmoren (*Fraxinus biltmoreana*)	Tenn.	5	17	49	42	0.51	0.58	45	12.6	4.2	6.9	5500	9300	1340	1.31	11.6	11900	4.9	30	3560	3980	880	1230	540	950	850
Ash, black (*Fraxinus nigra*)	Mich. & Wis.	15	24	53	83	0.46	0.53	53	15.2	5.0	7.8	2600	6000	1020	0.42	12.4	7200	2.5	32	1620	2290	430	870	490	580	550
Ash, blue (*Fraxinus quadrangulata*)	Ky.	5	12	49	39	0.53	0.60	46	11 7	3.9	6.5	5700	9600	1240	1.47	14.7	11100	5.0	43	3540	4180	990	1540	580	1140	1030
Ash, green (*Fraxinus lanceolata*)	Mo. & La.	10	18	58	48	0.52	0.61	48	12.5	4.6	7.1	5300	9500	1400	1.14	11.8	11400	5.0	34	3560	4200	910	1260	590	960	870
Ash, Oregon (*Fraxinus oregona*)	Ore.	3	12	63	48	0.50	0.58	46	13.2	4.1	8.1	4200	7600	1130	0.92	12.2	8900	3.0	39	2740	3510	650	1190	490	850	790
Ash, pumpkin (*Fraxinus profunda*)	Mo.	3	21	46	51	0.48	0.55	46	12.0	3.7	6.3	4500	7600	1040	1.08	9.4	8800	3.7	31	2830	3360	990	1210	570	880	750
Ash, white (forest grown) (*Fraxinus americana*)	Ark. & W. Va.	10	16	50	43	0.52	0.60	46	12.6	4.2	6.5	4900	9100	1350	1.03	13.4	11700	5.0	36	3230	3800	800	1260	620	1000	900

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Ash, white (2d growth) (*Fraxinus americana*)...	N. Y.	5	9	63	40	0.58	0.71	51	14.0	5.3	8.7	6100	10800	1640	1.30	16.3	13800	5.9	47	3820	4610	790	1600	790	1140	1080
Basswood (*Tilia americana*).....	Pa. & Wis.	8	19	29	103	0.33	0.40	41	15.8	6.6	9.3	2700	5000	1030	0.42	5.2	6200	2.0	17	1710	2210	210	610	280	280	250
Beech (*Fagus atropunicea*).....	Ind. & Pa.	10	19	30	62	0.54	0.66	55	16.2	4.8	10.6	4500	8200	1240	0.99	12.5	10400	4.2	40	2550	3280	610	1210	760	950	820
Chestnut (*Castanea dentata*).....	Md. & Tenn.	10	10	48	122	0.40	0.46	55	11.6	3.4	6.7	3100	5600	930	0.59	7.0	7900	2.8	24	2040	2470	380	800	430	530	420
Elm, white (*Ulmus americana*).....	Wis. & Pa.	6	18	31	88	0.44	0.54	52	14.4	4.2	9.5	3600	6900	1030	0.83	11.0	8100	2.9	34	2290	2880	390	920	560	610	550
Gum, blue (*Eucalyptus globulus*).....	Calif.	5	..	..	79	0.62	0.80	70	22.5	7.6	15.3	7600	11200	2010	1.65	13.9	14200	4.7	40	4870	5250	1020	1550	640	1310	1340
Hickory, big shellbark (*Hicoria laciniosa*)....	Miss. & Ohio	19	19	65	61	0.62	....	63	19.2	7.6	12.6	5600	10500	1340	1.36	29.9	14200	7.0	104	2740	43920	1000	1190			
Hickory, bitternut (*Hicoria minima*).....	Ohio	11	11	70	66	0.60	....	63	....	...	....	5500	10300	1400	1.22	20.0	15900	8.5	66	4330	4570	990	1240			
Hickory, mockernut (*Hicoria alba*).	W. Va. Miss., Pa.	20	18	63	59	0.64	....	64	17.9	7.8	11.0	6300	11100	1570	1.38	26.1	15100	6.7	88	3900	4480	1000	1280			
Hickory, nutmeg (*Hicoria myristicæ formis*)..	Miss.	5	22	59	74	0.56	....	61	....	...	....	4900	9100	1290	1.06	22.8	12800	6.1	54	3620	3980	940	1030			
Hickory, pecan (*Hicoria pecan*).....	Mo.	5	12	63	63	0.60	0.69	61	13.6	4.9	8.9	5200	9800	1370	1.18	14.6	12300	5.0	53	3040	3990	960	1480	680	1270	1310
Hickory, pignut (*Hicoria glabra*).	Ohio, Miss. Pa., W. Va.	60	20	65	54	0.66	....	64	17.9	7.2	11.5	6200	11700	1650	1.34	31.7	16900	8.8	89	3950	4810	1140	1370			
Hickory, shagbark (*Hicoria ovata*).....	Ohio, Miss. Pa., W. Va.	24	19	66	60	0.64	....	64	16.7	7.0	10.5	5900	11000	1570	1.23	23.7	14400	6.4	74	3430	4580	1000	1320			
Hickory, water (*Hicoria aquatica*).....	Miss.	2	15	67	80	0.61	....	69	....	...	....	6000	10700	1560	1.29	18.8	13700	6.1	56	3240	4660	1090	1440			
Laurel, California (*Umbellularia californica*)...	Ore.	5	6	..	70	0.51	0.59	55	11.9	2.8	8.1	3900	6600	720	1.23	16.8	8300	4.1	57	1960	3020	800	1270	780	1020	1000
Locust, black (*Robinia pseudacacia*).....	Tenn.	3	11	51	40	0.66	0.71	58	9.8	4.4	6.9	8800	13800	1850	2.36	15.4	18300	7.9	44	6280	6800	1430	1760	770	1640	1570
Locust, honey (*Gleditsia traicanthos*).....	Mo. & Ind.	6	9	45	63	0.60	0.67	61	10.8	4.2	6.6	5600	10200	1290	1.40	12.6	11800	4.6	47	3320	4420	1420	1660	930	1440	1390
Maple, Oregon (*Acer macrophyllum*).....	Wash.	5	12	..	72	0.44	0.51	47	11.6	3.7	7.1	4400	7400	1100	1.02	8.7	8500	2.8	23	2380	3240	550	1110	600	760	620

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Maple, red (*Acer rubrum*)	Pa. & Wis.	9	16	24	70	0.48	0.54	51	12.5	3.8	8.1	4100	7800	1420	0.60	10.6	9900	3.7	30	2500	3350	520	1080	580	740	600
Maple, silver (*Acer saccharinum*)	Wis.	5	7	..	66	0.44	0.51	46	12.0	3.0	7.2	3100	5800	940	0.61	11.0	6800	2.6	29	1950	2490	460	1050	560	670	590
Maple, sugar (*Acer saccharum*)	Ind., Pa., Wis.	17	21	49	60	0.56	0.66	56	14.5	4.8	9.2	5000	9100	1480	1.08	11.9	12100	5.0	36	3120	3860	750	1380	770	1000	910
Oak, bur (*Quercus macrocarpa*)	Wis.	5	12	59	70	0.58	0.67	61	12.7	4.4	8.8	3600	7200	880	0.89	10.7	10000	4.7	44	2310	3290	840	1350	800	1160	1110
Oak, California black (*Quercus californica*)	Ore.	10	16	52	106	0.51	0.58	66	12.1	3.6	6.6	3400	6200	740	1.03	8.8	8200	3.4	30	1880	2800	890	1140	700	910	850
Oak, canyon, live (*Quercus chrysolepsis*)	Calif.	3	13	..	62	0.70	0.84	71	16.2	8.0	14.3	6300	10600	1340	1.70	14.4	11200	3.9	47	4050	4690	1480	1700	970	1590	1570
Oak, chestnut (*Quercus prinus*)	Tenn.	5	23	50	72	0.57	0.67	62	16.7	5.5	9.7	4600	8000	1370	0.90	9.4	12000	4.6	35	2890	3520	660	1210	690	970	890
Oak, cow (*Quercus michauxii*)	La.	4	12	58	76	0.60	0.76	65	19.4	5.9	9.2	4800	8500	1350	1.00	12.8	10400	3.2	45	3060	3540	710	1260	670	1100	1110
Oak, laurel (*Quercus laurifolia*)	La.	5	11	61	84	0.56	0.70	64	19.0	3.9	9.5	4500	7900	1390	0.86	11.2	10400	3.4	39	2730	3170	710	1180	770	1020	1000

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Oak, Pacific post (*Quercus garryana*)	Ore.	10	16	49	72	0.64	0.75	69	13.4	4.2	9.0	4600	7700	790	1.51	13.7	10300	4.8	49	2510	3570	1380	1630	940	1430	1390
Oak, post (*Quercus minor*)	Ark. & La.	10	26	54	69	0.60	0.74	63	16.2	5.4	9.8	5000	8100	1090	1.31	11.0	10900	4.1	44	2840	3480	1060	1280	790	1160	1130
Oak, red (*Quercus rubra*)	Ark., La., Ind., Tenn.	21	11	62	84	0.56	0.65	64	14.2	3.9	8.3	3700	7700	1290	0.65	11.5	10400	3.9	41	2330	3200	730	1120	740	1020	950
Oak, Spanish (highland) (*Quercus digitata*)	La.	4	20	46	90	0.52	0.62	62	16.3	4.5	8.7	4200	6900	1140	0.93	8.0	9100	3.1	29	2180	3030	680	930	480	910	860
Oak, Spanish (lowland) (*Quercus pagodaefolia*)	La.	3	7	63	78	0.61	0.71	67	16.4	5.2	10.8	6500	10800	1790	1.32	14.7	12300	3.8	54	3760	4620	940	1320	800	1270	1240
Oak, water (*Quercus minor*)	La.	5	10	61	81	0.56	0.68	63	16.4	4.2	9.3	5600	8900	1550	1.14	11.1	11600	3.8	39	3200	3740	770	1240	820	1050	1010
Oak, white (*Quercus alba*).	Ark., La., Ind.	20	17	60	68	0.60	0.71	62	15.8	5.3	9.0	4700	8300	1250	1.08	11.5	10700	4.2	42	2990	3560	830	1250	770	1120	1060
Oak, willow (*Quercus phellos*)	La.	2	14	56	94	0.56	0.69	67	18.9	5.0	9.6	4400	7400	1290	0.88	8.8	9200	2.9	35	2480	3000	750	1180	760	1020	980
Oak, yellow (*Quercus velutina*)	Ark. & Wis.	8	15	71	78	0.56	0.67	63	14.2	4.5	9.7	4600	8200	1180	1.20	12.3	10800	4.4	40	2870	3460	870	1180	830	1000	1060
Poplar, yellow (*Liriodendron tulipifera*)	Tenn.	5	14	..	64	0.37	0.42	38	11.4	4.1	6.9	3200	5600	1210	0.48	5.6	8000	2.6	17	2000	2550	310	790	460	420	340
Walnut, black (*Juglans nigra*)	Ky.	5	12	..	81	0.51	0.56	58	11.3	5.2	7.1	5400	9500	1420	1.16	14.6	11900	4.5	37	3600	4300	600	1220	570	960	900
Willow, black (*Salix nigra*)	Wis. & Mo.	10	5	..	138	0.34	0.41	50	13.8	2.6	7.8	1800	3800	560	0.36	10.8	5100	2.0	36	970	1510	210	620	430	350	360
Willow, western black (*Salix lasiandra*)	Ore.	5	5	..	105	0.39	0.47	50	13.8	2.9	9.0	3100	5600	1020	0.58	10.8	7600	2.5	33	1810	2340	330	870	360	490	500
Conifers																										
Cedar, incense (*Libocedrus decurrens*)	Calif. & Ore.	8	16	30	108	0.35	0.36	45	7.6	3.3	5.7	3900	6200	840	0.94	6.4	7300	2.4	17	2870	3150	460	830	280	570	390
Cedar, Port Orford (*Chamaecyparis lawsoniana*)	Ore.	5	24	25	52	0.41	0.47	39	10.7	5.2	8.1	3900	6800	1500	0.59	7.8	9300	2.7	25	2970	3280	380	880	240	560	480
Cedar, western red (*Thuja plicata*)	Wash & Mont.	10	20	36	39	0.31	0.34	27	8.1	2.5	5.1	3300	5200	950	0.64	5.0	7100	2.4	17	2500	2840	310	720	210	430	260
Cedar, white (*Thuja occidentalis*)	Wis.	5	23	36	55	0.29	0.32	28	7.0	2.1	4.9	2600	4200	640	0.60	5.7	5300	2.0	15	1420	1990	290	620	240	320	230

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									Volume when green	Volume when oven-dry		In volume (% of dimension when green)	Radial (% of dimension when green)	Tangential (% of dimension when green)	Fiber stress at elastic limit (lb. per sq. in.)	Modulus of rupture (lb. per sq. in.)	Modulus of elasticity (1000 lb. per sq. in.)	To elastic limit (inch-pounds per cu. in.)	To maximum load (inch-pounds per cu. in.)	Fiber stress at elastic limit (lb. per sq. in.)	Work in bending to elastic limit (in.-lb. per cu. in.)	Height of drop causing complete failure, 50-lb. hammer (inches)	Fiber stress at elastic limit (lb. per sq. in.)	Maximum crushing strength (lb. per sq. in.)				End (pounds)	Side (pounds)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Cypress, bald (*Taxodium distichum*)	La. & Mo.	10	16	31	87	0.41	0.47	48	10.7	3.8	6.0	4000	6800	1190	0.86	6.4	8000	2.6	24	3100	3490	470	820	280	470	380
Cypress, yellow (*Chamaecyparis nootkatensis*)	Ore.	5	31	..	40	0.40	0.44	35	7.9	1.9	5.0	3600	6200	960	0.77	9.5	8600	3.2	27	2390	2880	410	820	260	520	410
Douglas fir (*Pseudotsuga taxifolia*)	Wash. & Ore.	18	13	35	36	0.45	0.52	38	12.6	5.0	7.9	5000	7800	1580	0.86	6.7	9400	2.9	25	3400	3940	530	910	200	510	470
Douglas fir (*Pseudotsuga taxifolia*)	Mont. & Wyo.	10	22	27	38	0.40	0.44	34	10.6	3.6	6.2	3600	6400	1180	0.65	6.8	9100	3.0	20	2520	3000	450	880	350	450	400
Fir, Alpine (*Abies amabilis*)	Colo.	5	15	14	47	0.31	0.32	28	9.0	2.5	7.1	2400	4400	860	0.39	4.4	5300	1.6	9	1660	2060	310	610	....	280	220
Fir, amabilis (*Abies amabilis*)	Ore. & Wash.	20	8	26	102	0.37	0.42	47	14.1	4.5	10.0	3900	6300	1300	0.60	6.0	7800	2.2	21	2380	2930	320	670	240	360	310
Fir, balsam (*Abies balsamea*)	Wis.	5	12	26	117	0.34	0.41	45	10.8	2.8	6.6	3000	4900	960	0.52	4.7	6900	2.3	16	2220	2400	210	610	180	290	290
Fir, grand (*Abies grandis*)	Mont. & Ore.	10	18	30	94	0.37	0.42	44	10.6	3.2	7.2	3600	6100	1300	0.58	5.6	8100	2.6	22	2680	3010	340	760	230	420	360
Fir, noble (*Abies nobilis*)	Ore.	5	23	17	41	0.35	0.41	31	13.6	4.9	9.1	3400	5700	1280	0.53	6.2	7900	2.6	20	2370	2700	310	700	180	300	250
Fir, white (*Abies concolor*)	Calif.	5	10	30	156	0.35	0.44	56	10.2	3.4	7.0	3900	6000	1130	0.77	5.2	7200	2.2	18	2610	2800	440	730	260	380	330
Hemlock, black (*Tsuga mertensiana*)	Mont.	5	23	45	70	0.42	0.48	45	10.8	4.4	7.1	3500	6000	940	0.78	9.4	8800	3.6	36	2590	2890	400	880	360	580	460

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Hemlock (eastern) (*Tsuga canadensis*)	Tenn. & Wis.	10	20	34	105	0.38	0.44	48	10.4	3.0	6.4	4200	6700	1120	0.88	6.8	7900	2.8	20	2710	3270	500	880	260	510	410
Hemlock (western) (*Tsuga heterophylla*)	Wash.	5	10	27	71	0.38	0.43	41	11.6	4.5	7.9	3400	6100	1190	0.58	6.0	7800	2.4	20	2290	2890	350	810	260	540	430
Larch, western (*Larix occidentalis*)	Wash., Mont.	13	32	37	58	0.48	0.59	48	13.2	4.2	8.1	4600	7500	1350	1.01	7.1	9400	3.7	24	3250	3800	560	920	230	470	450
Pine, Cuban (*Pinus heterophylla*)	Fla.	5	17	44	47	0.58	0.68	53	12.7	5.9	7.5	5600	8800	1630	1.10	7.9	11300	3.9	37	3950	4470	590	1030	290	570	630
Pine, jack (*Pinus divaricata*)	Wis.	5	7	30	105	0.39	0.46	50	10.4	3.4	6.5	3000	5400	920	0.55	5.9	7800	3.3	30	2250	2580	380	760	310	380	370
Pine, Jeffrey (*Pinus jeffreyi*)	Calif.	5	18	23	101	0.37	0.42	47	9.9	4.4	6.7	3200	5000	980	0.60	4.7	7200	2.6	21	2030	2370	350	690	260	320	340
Pine, loblolly (*Pinus taeda*).	Fla., N. C., S. C.	15	8	42	70	0.50	0.59	54	12.6	5.5	7.5	4400	7500	1380	0.81	8.0	9500	3.1	32	2870	3580	550	900	280	400	450
Pine, lodgepole (*Pinus contorta*).	Colo., Mont., Wyo.	28	24	22	65	0.38	0.44	39	11.5	4.5	6.7	3000	5500	1080	0.49	5.6	7200	2.3	20	2100	2610	310	690	220	320	330
Pine, longleaf (*Pinus palustris*).	Fla., La. & Miss.	34	18	39	47	0.55	0.64	50	12.3	5.3	7.5	5400	8700	1630	1.00	8.0	10800	3.5	34	3840	4390	600	1070	290	550	590
Pine, Norway (*Pinus resinosa*)	Wis.	5	22	41	54	0.44	0.51	42	11.5	4.6	7.2	3700	6400	1380	0.59	5.8	7500	2.2	28	2470	3080	360	780	190	360	340
Pine, pitch (*Pinus rigida*)	Tenn.	5	12	30	85	0.47	0.54	54	11.7	4.8	7.4	3700	6700	1120	0.75	8.5	9100	3.4	29	2100	3040	510	950	350	460	480
Pine, pond (*Pinus serotina*)	Fla.	5	13	35	56	0.50	0.58	49	11.2	5.1	7.1	4500	7400	1280	0.93	7.5	9400	3.2	33	2990	3660	540	940	280	460	510
Pine, shortleaf (*Pinus echinata*)	Ark., La.	12	12	40	64	0.50	0.58	50	12.6	5.1	8.2	4500	8000	1450	0.79	8.7	11200	4.0	39	3650	3810	480	890	330	490	560
Pine, sugar (*Pinus lambertiana*)	Calif.	5	12	34	123	0.36	0.39	50	8.4	2.9	5.6	3300	5300	970	0.66	5.0	6700	2.3	17	2340	2600	350	710	270	330	320
Pine, table-mountain (*Pinus pungens*)	Tenn.	5	15	29	75	0.49	0.55	54	10.9	3.4	6.8	4500	7500	1270	0.94	8.1	10200	3.8	29	2980	3540	560	960	320	480	490
Pine, western white (*Pinus monticola*)	Mont.	5	28	33	58	0.39	0.45	39	11.5	4.1	7.4	3500	5700	1330	0.54	5.1	7600	2.3	23	2770	3070	300	710	250	330	330
Pine, western yellow (*Pinus ponderosa*).	Colo., Mont. Ariz., Wash., Calif.	25	20	22	95	0.38	0.42	46	10.0	3.9	6.4	3100	5200	1010	0.54	5.1	6700	2.3	19	2080	2460	340	680	280	310	320

Common and botanical name	Locality where grown	Number of trees	Number of rings per inch	Summerwood (%)	Moisture content (%)	Specific gravity, oven dry, based on: Volume when green	Specific gravity, oven dry, based on: Volume when oven-dry	Wgt. per cu. ft. (green) (pounds)	Shrinkage from green to oven-dry condition: In volume (% of dimension when green)	Shrinkage from green to oven-dry condition: Radial (% of dimension when green)	Shrinkage from green to oven-dry condition: Tangential (% of dimension when green)	Static bending: Fiber stress at elastic limit (lb. per sq. in.)	Static bending: Modulus of rupture (lb. per sq. in.)	Static bending: Modulus of elasticity (1000 lb. per sq. in.)	Static bending: Work in bending: To elastic limit (inch-pounds per cu. in.)	Static bending: Work in bending: To maximum load (inch-pounds per cu. in.)	Impact bending: Fiber stress at elastic limit (lb. per sq. in.)	Impact bending: Work in bending to elastic limit (in.-lb. per cu. in.)	Impact bending: Height of drop causing complete failure, 50-lb. hammer (inches)	Compression parallel to grain: Fiber stress at elastic limit (lb. per sq. in.)	Compression parallel to grain: Maximum crushing strength (lb. per sq. in.)	Compression perpendicular to grain—fiber stress at elastic limit (lb. per sq. in.)	Shearing strength parallel to grain (lb. per sq. in.)	Tension perpendicular to grain (lb. per sq. in.)	Hardness load required to imbed a 0.444-in. ball to ½ its diameter: End (pounds)	Hardness load required to imbed a 0.444-in. ball to ½ its diameter: Side (pounds)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Pine, white (*Pinus strobus*)	Wis.	5	16	31	74	0.36	0.39	39	7.8	2.2	5.9	3400	5300	1070	0.62	5.9	6500	2.1	18	2370	2720	310	640	260	300	300
Spruce, Engelmann (*Picea engelmanni*)	Colo.	10	14	14	100	0.31	0.35	38	10.4	3.4	6.6	2500	4200	830	0.43	4.9	5800	1.9	14	1740	1980	290	590	....	250	240
Spruce, red (*Picea rubens*)	N. H. & Tenn.	9	17	27	43	0.38	0.41	34	11.8	3.8	7.8	3400	5700	1180	0.56	6.1	7200	2.3	18	2360	2740	350	770	220	420	350
Spruce, Sitka (*Picea sitchensis*)	Wash.	5	9	24	53	0.34	0.37	33	11.2	4.5	7.4	3000	5500	1180	0.44	6.4	7900	2.5	29	2280	2600	330	780	230	430	370
Spruce, white (*Picea canadensis*)	N. H. & Wis.	7	14	27	46	0.36	0.43	33	14.8	3.7	7.3	3300	5400	980	0.66	5.7	6800	2.0	20	2280	2380	270	670	200	300	280
Tamarack (*Larix laricina*)	Wis.	5	20	38	52	0.49	0.56	47	13.6	3.7	7.4	4200	7200	1240	0.84	7.2	7800	2.7	28	3010	3480	480	860	260	400	380
Yew, western (*Taxus brevifolia*)	Wash.	5	27	..	44	0.60	0.67	54	9.7	4.0	5.4	6500	10100	990	2.46	20.2	13100	6.2	38	3400	4600	1040	1620	450	1340	1150

especially in small sizes, can be bent somewhat beyond its elastic limit with only slight injury if the load is removed at once. Work to maximum load is a measure of the combined strength and toughness of a material under bending stresses. Superiority in this quality is the characteristic which makes hickory better than ash, and oak better than longleaf pine, for such uses as handles and vehicle parts.

Impact Bending.—The impact bending test is made upon a beam 2 × 2 × 30 in. over a 28-in. span. A 50-lb. hammer is dropped upon the stick at the center of the span, first from a height of 1 in., next 2 in., etc., up to 10 in., then increasing 2 in. at a time until complete failure occurs. The deflections of the specimen are recorded on a revolving drum by a pointer attached to the hammer. This printer also records the position the specimen assumes after the shock. Thus data are obtained for determining the various properties of the wood when subjected to shock.

Height of Drop.—Height of drop is the maximum or last drop of the hammer. It represents a quality important in articles which are occasionally stressed under a shock beyond their elastic limit, such as handles and vehicle and implement parts.

Hardness.—Hardness is tested by measuring the load required to embed a 0.444-in. ball to ½ of its diameter in the wood. This test is a modification of one originated by Janka.

The hardness test is applied to end, radial, and tangential surfaces of the timber. There is no consistent difference between radial and tangential hardnesses and they are averaged and tabulated as "side hardness." End hardness is usually greater than side hardness. The quality represented by these figures is important in woods for paving blocks, railroad ties, furniture, flooring, etc.

APPENDIX G

TESTS ON BRICK PIERS

The most important tests on brick piers of recent years were made by J. G. Bragg of the Bureau of Standards, the tests being conducted with the cooperation of the National Brick Manufacturers' Association. The 50 piers tested were 30 in. square and were of a height of 10 ft., except 4 piers reinforced with wire mesh which were 5 ft. The bricks were selected from the districts of Chicago, Pittsburgh, New York, and New Orleans. They were classified as (1) hard burned best quality, (2) medium burned or common, and (3) soft burned or inferior quality. The mortars, bonding, and other data of the tests of piers and individual bricks are given in Technologic Paper No. 111, Bureau of Standards. The accompanying table which is self-explanatory is quoted therefrom.

Details of Construction and Summary of Test Data. (Piers of Main Investigation)

Pittsburgh District, Cement Mortar

Serial number	Piers: Construction data: Grade of bricks*	Bond: Header and stretcher**	Courses	Mortar	Height (ft.)	Piers: Test data: Age in days	Area (sq. in.)	Maximum load (lb.)	Maximum load (lb. per sq. in.)	Modulus of elasticity	Bricks: Test data: Average compressive strength, flat (10 tests)	Average compressive strength on edge (10 tests)	Average transverse strength, modulus of rupture (20 tests)[1]	Per cent. of absorption on samples in compression tests
1	1	1:1	46	1 cement; 3 sand	10	30	930	2,520,000	2,710	2,500,000	11,990	8,900	1,945	4.08
2	1	1:3	46	1 cement; 3 sand	10	30	930	2,550,000	2,740	3,200,000	11,990	8,900	1,945	4.08
3	1	1:6	46	1 cement; 3 sand	10	30	930	2,697,000	2,900	3,200,000	11,990	8,900	1,945	4.08
4	2	1:1	45	1 cement; 3 sand	10	32	856	1,714,000	2,000	2,250,000	7,880	6,450	1,370	7.46
5	2	1:3	45	1 cement; 3 sand	10	32	885	1,834,000	2,070	2,000,000	7,880	6,450	1,370	7.46
6	2	1:6	44	1 cement; 3 sand	10	33	946	824,000	870	833,000	2,450	2,040	675	15.16
7	3	1:1	41	1 cement; 3 sand	10	29	1,024	524,000	510	700,000	1,659	1,350	345	16.28
8	3	1:3	41	1 cement; 3 sand	10	29	1,043	580,000	560	733,000	1,659	1,350	345	16.28
9	3	1:6	41	1 cement; 3 sand	10	32	1,024	660,000	650	533,000	1,659	1,350	345	16.28
				Pittsburgh District, Cement and Lime Mortar										
10	1	1:1	45	1 (15% lime, 85% cement); 3 sand	10	90	841	3.211,000	3,800	3,500,000	11,965	10,050	2,775	1.28
11	1	1:3	45	1 (15% lime, 85% cement); 3 sand	10	90	841	2,714,000	3,220	3,050,000	11,965	10,050	2,775	1.28
12	1	1:6	45	1 (15% lime, 85% cement;) 3 sand	10	90	841	2,787,000	3,300	3,500,000	11,965	10,050	2,775	1.28
13	2	1:1	45	1 (15% lime, 85% cement); 3 sand	10	33	908	1,594,000	1,760	1,550,000	7,880	6,450	1,370	7.46
14	2	1:3	44	1 (15% lime, 85% cement); 3 sand	10	32	961	838,000	870	750,000	2,450	2,040	675	15.16
15	2	1:6	45	1 (15% lime, 85% cement); 3 sand	10	30	878	1,545,800	1,760	1,625,000	7,880	6,450	1,370	7.46

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DETAILS OF CONSTRUCTION AND SUMMARY OF TEST DATA. (Piers of Main Investigation)—*Continued*

Pittsburgh District, Lime Mortar

Serial number	Piers: Construction data: Grade of bricks*	Bond: Header and stretcher**	Courses	Mortar	Height (ft.)	Piers: Test data: Age in days	Area (sq. in.)	Maximum load (lb.)	Maximum load (lb. per sq. in.)	Modulus of elasticity	Bricks: Test data: Average compressive strength, flat (10 tests)	Average compressive strength on edge (10 tests)	Average transverse strength, modulus of rupture (20 tests)[1]	Per cent. of absorption on samples in compression tests
16	1	1:1	45	1 lime; 6 sand.....	10	120	940	1,360,000	1,450	725,000	11,990	8,900	1,945	4.08
17	1	1:3	45	1 lime; 6 sand.....	10	120	940	1,197,500	1,270	416,700	11,990	8,900	1,945	4.08
18	1	1:6	45	1 lime; 6 sand.....	10	120	940	1,280,000	1,360	750,000	11,990	8,900	1,945	4.08
19	2	1:1	44	1 lime; 6 sand.....	10	120	906	764,000	840	620,000	7,800	6,450	1,370	7.46
20	2	1:3	44	1 lime; 6 sand.....	10	120	906	804,000	890	687,000	7,880	6,450	1,370	7.46
21	2	1:6	44	1 lime; 6 sand.....	10	120	900	892,000	990	620,000	7,880	6,450	1,370	7.46
22	3	1:1	41	1 lime; 3 sand.....	10	120	1,024	215,500	210	300,000	1,659	1,350	345	16.28
23	3	1:3	41	1 lime; 3 sand.....	10	120	1,024	182,000	178	300,000	1,659	1,350	345	16.28
24	3	1:6	41	1 lime; 3 sand.....	10	120	1,024	129,000	126	270,000	1,659	1,350	345	16.28
				New Orleans District, Cement and Lime Mortar										
25	1	1:1	41	1 (15% lime, 85% cement); 3 sand	10	29	841	1,223,000	1,450	1,533,000	7,340	4,910	733	16.80
26	1	1:3	41	1 (15% lime, 85% cement); 3 sand	10	29	841	1,475,000	1,760	1,533,000	7,340	4,910	733	16.80
27	2	1:1	41	1 (15% lime, 85% cement); 3 sand	10	31	841	1,370,000	1,630	1,563,000	6,880	5,490	893	16.40
28	2	1:3	41	1 (15% lime, 85% cement); 3 sand	10	30	841	1,506,000	1,790	1,750,000	6,880	5,490	893	16.40
29	3	1:1	41	1 (15% lime, 85% cement); 3 sand	10	30	841	1,580,000	1,880	1,833,000	6,510	5,700	1,090	17.10
30	3	1:3	41	1 (15% lime, 85% cement); 3 sand	10	29	841	1,422,000	1,690	1,583,000	6,510	5,700	1,090	17.10
31	3	1:6	41	1 (15% lime, 85% cement); 3 sand	10	31	841	1,397,000	1,660	1,583,000	6,510	5,700	1,090	17.10

DETAILS OF CONSTRUCTION AND SUMMARY OF TEST DATA. (Piers of Main Investigation)—*Continued*

New York District, Cement and Lime Mortar

Serial number	Piers: Construction data: Grade of bricks*	Bond: Header and stretcher**	Courses	Mortar	Height (ft.)	Piers: Test data: Age in days	Area (sq. in.)	Maximum load (lb.)	Maximum load (lb. per sq. in.)	Modulus of elasticity	Bricks: Test data: Average compressive strength, flat (10 tests)	Average compressive strength on edge (10 tests)	Average transverse strength, modulus of rupture (20 tests)[1]	Per cent. of absorption on samples in compression tests
32	1	1:1	45	1(15 % line, 85 % cement); 3 sand	10	32	791	921,500	1,170	875,000	5,630	6,440	601	16.40
33	1	1:3	45	1 (15 % lime, 85 % cement); 3 sand	10	32	791	1,033,500	1,300	875,000	5,630	6,440	601	16.40
34	1	1:6	45	1 (15 % lime, 85 % cement); 3 sand	10	31	791	998,000	1,260	875,000	5,630	6,440	601	16.40
35	2	1:1	45	1 (15 % lime, 85 % cement); 3 sand	10	30	784	1,001,000	1,280	875,000	4,430	5,449	616	18.60
36	2	1:3	45	1 (15 % lime, 85 % cement); 3 sand	10	31	791	1,011,000	1,280	1,125,000	4,430	5,449	616	18.60
37	2	1:6	45	1 (15 % lime, 85 % cement); 3 sand	10	31	791	967,500	1,220	817,000	4,430	5,449	616	18.60
38	3	1:1	45	1 (15 % lime, 85 % cement); 3 sand	10	31	791	840,500	1,070	484,000	2,710	2,970	497	19.30
39	3	1:3	45	1 (15 % lime, 85 % cement); 3 sand	10	31	791	840,000	1,060	667,000	2,710	2,970	497	19.30
40	3	1:6	45	1 (15 % lime, 85 % cement); 3 sand	10	30	791	808,000	1,020	600,000	2,710	2,970	497	19.30
				Chicago District, Cement and Lime Mortar										
41	1	1:1	46	1 (15 % lime, 85 % cement); 3 sand	10	32	841	706,700	840	833,000	3,200	3,010	1,180	16.20
42	1	1:3	46	1 (15 % lime, 85 % cement); 3 sand	10	29	812	641,500	790	750,000	3,200	3,010	1,180	16.20
43	1	1:6	46	1 (15 % lime, 85 % cement); 3 sand	10	30	812	660,500	810	750,000	3,200	3,010	1,180	16.20
44	2	1:1	46	1 (15 % lime, 85 % cement); 3 sand	10	30	812	606,500	750	833,000	3,150	2,710	1,140	16.20
45	2	1:3	46	1 (15 % lime, 85 % cement); 3 sand	10	30	812	572,000	700	650,000	3,150	2,710	1,140	16.20
46	2	1:6	46	1 (15 % lime, 85 % cement); 3 sand	10	30	812	578,500	710	580,000	3,150	2,710	1,140	16.20

DETAILS OF CONSTRUCTION AND SUMMARY OF TEST DATA. (Supplementary Piers)

Serial number	Piers									Bricks: Test data			
	Construction data				Test data								
	Grade of brick	Type of bond	Mortar	Height (ft.)	Age in days	Area (sq. in.)	Maximum load (lb.)	Maximum load (lb. per sq. in.)	Per cent. increase or decrease in strength	Average compressive strength, flat	Average compressive strength on edge	Average transverse strength modulus of rupture	Per cent. of absorption
47	2	1 header, type (*a*), Fig. 1, to 1 stretcher.	1 (15% lime, 85% cement); to 3 sand.	5	30	915	1,580,000	1,730	0	2,450	2,040	675	15.16
48	2	1 header, type (*c*), Fig. 1, to 1 stretcher.	1 (15% lime, 85% cement); to 3 sand.	5	30	915	1,678,000	1,840	+ 6.4	2,450	2,040	675	15.16
49	2	Same as No. 47, with 18 gage No. 2 galvanized-iron wire mesh in every joint.	1 (15% lime, 85% cement); to 3 sand.	5	30	924	2,100,000	2,270	+31.2	2,450	2,040	675	15.16
50	2	Same as No. 47, with 18 gage No. 2 galvanized-iron wire mesh in every fourth joint.	1 (15% lime, 85% cement); to 3 sand.	5	30	930	1,364,000	1,470	−15.0	2,450	2,040	675	15.19

* 1 = best hard burned; 2 = medium burned; 3 = soft burned, inferior qualities.

** 1:1 = alternate headers and stretchers, "squeeze" joints.
1:3 = 1 course headers, 3 stretchers, filled joints without "squeezing."
1:6 = 1 course headers, 6 stretchers, "slushed" joints.

[1] Ten tests only were made in case of Grade 3 from the Pittsburgh District.

A summary is also submitted in Technologic Paper No. 111 of the results of Tests by Howard, McCausland, MacGregor, and Kreuger as follows:

Howard's Tests (Eng. Rec., March 22, 1913).—This work consists of several series of pier tests, in which a study was made of various mortars, grades of brick, and methods of laying the bricks. A novel feature of this work was the laying of bricks on edge and in some case breaking joints every third or sixth course, instead of every course. The piers tested ranged in cross-sectional dimensions from 8 × 8 in. to 16 × 16 in., the heights varying from 2 to 12 ft. 6 in. In these tests, 14 of which were made on face-brick piers laid in 1 part Rosendale cement to 2 parts sand mortar, the strength was found to vary with the height of pier, the ultimate resistance of the pier varying from 12.5 to 18.1 % of the compressive strength of the bricks. Thirty-eight common-brick piers of the same mortar and general dimensions developed a strength of from 7.8 to 17.6 % of the compressive strength of the bricks. Laying the bricks on edge and breaking joints every third or sixth course increased the strength considerably.

Results of some of these tests are given in the following table which is taken from Burr's Elasticity and Resistance of the Materials of Engineering, sixth edition, page 426.

CRUSHING STRENGTH OF BRICK PIERS OF VARIOUS SIZES LAID IN DIFFERENT MORTARS

No.	Height of pier	Section of pier (inches)	Composition of mortar	Weight per cubic foot (pounds)	Ultimate resistance (lb. per sq. in.)
*a*1	1 ft. 4 in.	8 × 8	1 lime, 3 sand	137.4	2520
*a*2	6 ft. 8 in.	8 × 8	1 lime, 3 sand	133.5	1877
*a*3	1 ft. 4 in.	8 × 8	1 Portland cement, 3 sand	136.3	3776
*a*4	6 ft. 8 in.	8 × 8	1 Portland cement, 3 sand	135.5	2249
*a*5	2 ft. 0 in.	12 × 12	1 lime, 3 sand	.....	1940
*a*6	2 ft. 0 in.	12 × 12	1 lime, 3 sand	.....	1900
*a*7	10 ft. 0 in.	12 × 12	1 lime, 3 sand	131.7	1511
*a*8	10 ft. 0 in.	12 × 12	1 lime, 3 sand	125.0	1807
*a*9	2 ft. 0 in.	12 × 12	1 Portland cement, 2 sand	.....	3670
*a*10	10 ft. 0 in.	12 × 12	1 Portland cement, 2 sand	132.2	2253
*b*11	1 ft. 4 in.	8 × 8	1 lime, 3 sand	135.6	2440
*b*12	6 ft. 8 in.	8 × 8	1 lime, 3 sand	133.6	1540
*b*13	2 ft. 0 in.	12 × 12	1 lime, 3 sand	.....	2150
*b*14	2 ft. 0 in.	12 × 12	1 lime, 3 sand	.....	2050
*b*15	9 ft. 9 in.	12 × 12	1 lime, 3 sand	131.5	1118
*b*16	10 ft. 0 in.	12 × 12	1 lime, 3 sand	136.0	1587
*b*17	10 ft. 0 in.	12 × 12	1 Portland cement, 2 sand	131.0	2003
*b*18	2 ft. 0 in.	16 × 16	1 Portland cement, 2 sand	.....	2720
*b*19	10 ft. 0 in.	16 × 16	1 Portland cement, 2 sand	.....	1887

a. The kind of brick used in this test was face brick, with an average compressive strength of 13,925 lb. per sq. in.

b. The kind of brick used in this test was common brick, with an average compressive strength of 18,337 lb. per sq. in.

McCaustland's Tests (Transactions of the Association of Civil Engineering of Cornell University for 1900).—This investigation was composed of a series of 14 piers, 13 × 13 in. in cross-sectional dimensions and 80 in. high, which were reinforced laterally in the horizontal joints with steel plates, straps, or wire meshing. The mortar was composed of 1 part Portland cement and 3 parts sand. The bricks used had a compressive strength of 3500 lb. per sq. in. In these tests it is shown that the efficiencies of the piers reinforced with iron straps and plates are less than those of the piers without reinforcement. The piers reinforced with wire mesh in every joint developed efficiencies of 46 % as compared with 30 % for those without reinforcement. However, there is a considerable drop in efficiency from the piers with wire mesh in every joint and piers with wire mesh in every second joint, which developed efficiencies of only 33 %.

The following table of results of McCaustland's tests is taken from Burr's Elasticity and Resistance of the Materials of Engineering, sixth edition, page 425.

Macgregor's Tests (Tests made by Prof. J. S. Macgregor, Columbia University).—The object of this investigation was to ascertain what proportions of cement and lime may be used to advantage in a cement-lime mortar and the effect of such mortars on the ultimate compressive strength of brick masonry. Seven sets of brick piers 8 × 8 × 84 in. were tested. Each set of 9 piers represented a different proportion of mortar with varying amounts of hydrated lime. Each set was composed of 3 groups of 3 piers each, group 1 being tested at 7 days, group 2 at 28 days, and group 3 at 90 days. The bricks used were hard-burned face bricks. There were also tested 7 piers of common brick, one for each different mortar. These piers served as a check on the hard-burned face brick piers, and were tested at the age of 28 days. In these tests piers laid in a mortar composed of 1 part (25 % lime and 75 % Portland cement) to 3 parts sand by volume developed the highest strength. Piers laid in mortar composed of

ULTIMATE COMPRESSIVE RESISTANCE OF 13 × 13 × 30-in. BRICK PIERS WITH METAL REINFORCEMENT IN HORIZONTAL JOINTS

(Built with 1 : 2 Portland cement mortar; joints 0.3 in. thick)

No.	Kinds of joints	Ultimate stress		Efficiency per cent. of single brick
		Total	Pounds per square inch	
1	Portland-cement mortar, 1:2	194,000	1,150	30
2	Portland-cement mortar, 1:2	200,000	1,184	
3	Iron straps every fourth course	136,400	810	24
4	Iron straps every fourth course	155,400	920	
5	Iron straps every sixth course	130,000	780	22
6	Iron straps every eighth course	142,500	843	24
7	Iron netting every second course	192,000	1,136	33
8	Iron netting every second course	208,000	1,248	
9	Wire netting every course	282,000	1,694	46
10	Wire netting every course	240,000	1,440	
11	Iron plate every fourth course	174,000	1,030	28
12	Iron plate every fourth course	193,500	1,145	
13	Iron plate every fourth course	162,000	974	
14	Iron plate every fourth course	143,000	858	

1 part (50% lime and 50% Portland cement) to 3 parts sand developed higher strengths than piers laid in 1 part cement to 3 parts sand mortar.

The following data are taken from Bulletin J, Hydrated Lime Bureau of the National Lime Manufacturers' Association:

EFFECT OF CEMENT-LIME MORTAR ON STRENGTH OF 8 × 8-in. BRICK PIERS

Mortar mixture used		Age when tested (days)	Compressive strength (lb. per sq. in.)	
By volume	By weight		Face-brick piers; each result an average of 3 tests	Common-brick piers; 1 test only
		7	2630	
1 Portland cement; 3 sand	100 Portland cement; 300 sand	28	2840	1170
		90	2840	
0.90 Portland cement	90 Portland cement	7	3080	
0.10 hydrated lime	4 hydrated lime	28	3170	1189
3 sand	300 sand	90	4435	
0.85 Portland cement	85 Portland cement	7	2890	
0.15 hydrated lime	6 hydrated lime	28	3230	1340
3 sand	300 sand	90	4300	
0.75 Portland cement	75 Portland cement	7	3120	
0.25 hydrated lime	10 hydrated lime	28	3470	1685
3 sand	300 sand	90	4170	
0.50 Portland cement	50 Portland cement	7	2760	
0.50 hydrated lime	20 hydrated lime	28	3100	1300
3 sand	300 sand	90	3820	
0.25 Portland cement	25 Portland cement	7	1945	
0.75 hydrated lime	30 hydrated lime	28	2370	1032
3 sand	300 sand	90	2720	
1 hydrated lime	40 hydrated lime	7	1535	
3 sand	300 sand	28	1870	
		90	1950	

Kreuger's Tests (Clay Worker, July 1916, and August 1916).—A recent investigation by Prof. H. Kreuger at the Technical High School in Stockholm, although conducted on small piers, is quite comprehensive in its scope. This investigation includes most of the variables referred to in previous tests and some tests were made to study the effect of eccentric loading. The piers tested were approximately 11 in. square, ranging in height from 6 to 33 in. With bricks of various strengths laid in 1 part lime to 3 part sand mortar, the piers developed strengths of from 18.5 to 26.5 % of the ultimate compressive strength of bricks. It must be noted, however, that the results obtained by Prof. Kreuger are not comparable with results of tests made in the United States, since the method of testing the individual bricks is different. Prof. Kreuger's results were obtained from compression tests on halves of the same brick cemented together. Since the compressive strength developed in this manner would be considerably lower than in the case of a single half brick tested flat, the efficiency of the pier would be correspondingly higher. Tests of the mortar used showed an increase in strength from 28 days to 1 year of 33 to 165 %, while the piers increased in strength in the same length of time only 6 to 17 %. The introduction of wire mesh in every joint increased the strength 88 to 100 %. Piers loaded eccentrically on one-half their bearing surfaces failed at loads slightly under one-half the loads sustained by piers loaded concentrically, and no cracking was observed on the so-called tension side of the pier.

The following data are taken from the Clay Worker for July 1917 and August 1917. The results have been converted from the metric to the English units of measure and retabulated.

Influence of the Strength of Brick
(Mortar: 1 lime, 3 sand; age: 28 days)

No. of piers tested	Height of piers (inches)	Breadth of piers (inches)	Average compressive strength (lb. per sq. in.)		% of compressive strength of bricks developed in piers		
			Bricks used	Piers	Minimum	Maximum	Average
5	34.0	10.0	1920	410	19.3	23.7	21.3
4	34.0	9.5	2510	670	23.7	29.5	26.5
3	33.0	9.5	4040	880	20.0	24.3	21.8
5	33.5	9.5	5300	980	15.0	21.2	18.5
4	31.0	9.5	7120	1820	24.7	26.2	25.5
5	30.5	9.0	8600	1680	17.5	21.6	19.5

Influence of the Strength of Mortar
(Mortar: 1 lime, 3 sand; age: 28 days)

Pier No.	Compressive strength (lb. per sq. in.)		Mortar mixture	Compressive strength (lb. per sq. in.)
	Bricks	Mortar		
1	4040	0	Dry sand	740
2	4040	38	1 lime; 3 sand	740
3	4040	355	2 lime; 1 cement; 9 sand	1420
4	4040	695	1 lime; 1 cement; 6 sand	1840
5	4040	1280	1 lime; 2 cement; 9 sand	1700
6	4040	1640	2 lime; 1 cement; 7 sand	1930
7	4040	2620	1 cement; 3 sand	1980

Influence of Varying the Height of the Piers
(Mortar: 1 lime, 3 sand)

Pier no.	Compressive strength of bricks (lb. per sq. in.)	Breadth of pier (inches)	Ratio of height to breadth	Compressive strength of piers (lb. per sq. in.)
1	3260	10.6	4.3	2340
2	3260	10.6	8.7	2320
3	3260	10.6	13.0	1940
4	3260	10.6	17.4	1620
5	3260	10.6	21.7	1090
6	3260	10.6	26.4	1020
7	3260	10.6	30.7	Broke
8	3260	10.6	35.4	780
9	3260	10.6	39.5	880
10	3260	10.6	43.4	880
11	3260	10.6	42.8	750
12	3260	10.6	53.2	780
13	3260	10.6	57.5	640
14	3260	10.6	61.8	610
15	3260	10.6	65.8	660
16	3260	10.6	69.7	660
17	3260	10.6	74.5	610
18	3260	10.6	78.8	610

Effect of Eccentric Loading
(Mortar: 1 lime, 3 sand)

Height of pier (inches)	Breadth of pier (inches)	Compressive strength of brick (lb. per sq. in.)	Compressive strength of mortar (lb. per sq. in.)	Maximum load	
				Concentric load (lb. per sq. in.)	Eccentric load (lb. per sq. in.)
33	9.4	4040	50	890	417
33	9.4	5600	50	1220	570
31	9.4	7100	50	1850	850

Tests made by the Bureau of Standards on 2 piers, 4 ft. square by 12 ft. high, brick common hard burned, laid in 1:1 cement mortar, ages of piers 31 and 57 days, developed compressive strengths of 6,580,000 and 1,710,000 lb. respectively (*Eng. Record*, March 22, 1913).

Other information on tests of brick piers and bricks will be found in U. S. Rep. Tests of Metals 1884–6, Trans. Assoc. C. E. Cornell Univ. 1900, Burr's Elas. and Resist. of Mat., Johnson's Mat. of Construction, Baker's Masonry, Clay Worker July–August 1916, and Mar. 1913. Refer to Amer. Soc. Test. Mat. Rep. of Comm. 6–3, Vol. 15, 915 for numerous tests on building brick from various locations.

APPENDIX H

TESTS ON TILE WALLS

The following results were determined by the Department of Applied Mechanics, University of Toronto, on tile manufactured in that locality. An 8-in. wall, 3 ft. wide, 5½ ft. high, and age 42 days, failed under a concentric load of 100,000 lb. when the tile were laid with flues running vertical. A similar wall but with flues horizontal failed at 120,000 lb. A 12-in. wall, other dimensions same as preceding, age 38 days, failed at 190,000 lb. (Proc. Am. Soc. Test. Mat. Vol. XVII, part 1 Comm. Reports, p. 361–2).

The following are some unpublished results of the Bureau of Standards; tests conducted by B. D. Hathcock.

Strengths of Walls of Hollow Tiles in Compression

All walls are 4 ft. wide by 12 ft. high and of thickness as shown:

Thickness of wall (inches)	Tile			Following values averages of 3 tests			
	From	Flues laid	Net area (sq. in.)	Load at first sign of distress (pounds)	Maximum load (pounds)	Maximum load (lb. per sq. in.)	Compressive modulus (lb. per sq. in.)
6	Ohio	vertical	134.0	125,100	297,500	2,220	1,480,000
12			240.0	430,000	543,000	2,260	1,970,000
6		horizontal	80.0	43,000	205,000	2,570	3,625,000
12			132.5	56,530	221,700	1,670	3,180,000
Following values averages of 2 tests							
6	New Jersey	vertical	152.0	30,400	211,000	1,390	1,950,000
12			256.0	128,000	555,000	2,170	2,205,000
6		horizontal	90.0	49,500	114,000	1,270	1,430,000

The following table gives a record of unpublished tests made by the Bureau of Standards, conducted by J. H. Griffith, 1914–1917, to determine the lateral strengths of walls of dimensions given. The walls were vertical with end lateral supports. Transverse loads were applied over the width at midheight with results as shown in the last column of figures.

TRANSVERSE TESTS OF HOLLOW TILE WALLS

Thickness (inches)	Width	Height	Construction	Mortar	Maximum transverse load applied
12½	5 ft. 0 in.	10 ft. 0 in.	8-in. tile faced with brick	1 part cement 3 parts sand ¼ part lime	3750
12½	5 ft. 0 in.	10 ft. 0 in.	all tile	1 part cement 3 parts sand ¼ part lime	4750
12½	5 ft. 0 in.	9 ft. 3 in.	interlocking tile faced with brick	1 part cement 3 parts sand 10 % lime hydrate	7500
12½	5 ft. 0 in.	9 ft. 3 in.	interlocking tile entirely	1 part cement 3 parts sand 10 % lime hydrate	6000
12½	5 ft. 0 in.	9 ft. 3 in.	interlocking tile faced with brick	1 part cement 3 parts sand 10 % lime hydrate	2400
12	5 ft. 2 in.	9 ft. 3 in.	two sizes tile laid alternately and breaking joints	1 part cement 3 parts sand 10 % lime hydrate	5175
12	5 ft. 2 in.	9 ft. 3 in.	5 × 8 × 12-in. tile faced with brick	1 part cement 3 parts sand 10 % lime hydrate	3185

These walls were tested in a vertical position, being supported laterally at top and bottom. Lateral pressure was applied along the full length of the wall at midheight with a hydraulic jack. The character of failure was the same in all cases, viz., opening of joints on side opposite jack.

APPENDIX I

STRENGTH OF STONE MASONRY

With most stones commonly used in building construction, the strength of the stone itself is far greater than any distributed load that will be imposed upon it. Any limitations of strength are therefore imposed either (1) through faulty and uneven bedding, or (2) through the lower strength of mortar in which the stones are set.

Such cases of failure of stone masonry as are on record indicate that failure was by tension of flexure, induced by squeezing out of mortar from joints, rather than in compression. No experimental data has been obtained except on relatively small brick piers (see Appendix *G*), but these tests indicate that the mortar was in each case the weak element of the combination; and that an increase of 50 % in the strength of the brick produced no increase of strength in the structure, while substitution of cement for lime mortar increased the strength 70 %.

Allowable Pressures on Stone Masonry.—The following data on foundation pressures on masonry are cited in Baker's Treatise on Masonry Construction:

"Early builders used much more massive masonry, proportional to the load to be carried, than is customary at present. Experience and experiments have shown that such great strength is unnecessary. The load on the monolithic piers supporting the large churches in Europe does not usually exceed 30 tons per sq. ft. (420 lb. per sq. in.), or about one-thirtieth of the ultimate strength of the stone alone, although the columns of the Church of All Saints at Angers, France, are said to sustain 43 tons per sq. ft. (600 lb. per sq. in.). The stone-arch bridge of 140 ft. span at Pont-y-Pyrdd, over the Taff, in Wales, erected in 1750, is supposed to have a pressure of 72 tons per sq. ft. (1000 lb. per sq. in.) on hard limestone rubble masonry laid in lime mortar. The granite piers of the Saltash Bridge sustain a pressure of 9 tons per sq. ft. (125 lb. per sq. in.).

"The maximum pressure on the granite masonry of the towers of the Brooklyn Bridge is about 28½ tons per sq. ft. (about 400 lb. per sq. in.). The maximum pressure on the limestone masonry of this bridge is about 10 tons per sq. ft. (125 lb. per sq. in.). The face stones ranged in cubical contents from 1½ to 5 cu. yd.; the stones of the granite backing averaged about 1½ cu. yd., and of the limestone about 1¼ cu yd. per piece. The mortar was 1 volume of Rosendale natural cement and 2 of sand. The stones were rough-axed or pointed to ½-in. bed-joints and ½-in. vertical face-joints.

"In the Rookery Building, Chicago, granite columns about 3 ft. square sustain 30 tons per sq. ft. (415 lb. per sq. in.) without any signs of weakness.

"In the Washington Monument, Washington, D. C., the normal pressure on the lower joint of the walls of the shaft is 20.2 tons per sq. ft. (280 lb. per sq. in.), and the maximum pressure brought upon any joint under the action of the wind is 25.4 tons per sq. ft. (350 lb. per sq. in.).

"The pressure on the limestone piers of the St. Louis Bridge was, before completion, 38 tons per sq. ft. (527 lb. per sq. in.); and after completion the pressure was 19 tons per sq. ft. (273) lb. per sq. in.) on the piers and 15 tons per sq. ft. (198 lb. per sq. in.) on the abutments.

"The limestone masonry in the towers of the Niagara Suspension Bridge failed under 36 tons per sq. ft., and were taken down,—however, the masonry was not well executed.

"At the South Street Bridge, Philadelphia, the pressure on the limestone rubble masonry in the pneumatic piles is 15.7 tons per sq. ft. (220 lb. per sq. in.) at the bottom and 12 tons per sq. ft. at the top. The maximum pressure on the rubble masonry (laid in cement mortar) of some of the large masonry dams is from 11 to 14 tons per sq. ft. (154 to 195 lb. per sq. in.). The Quaker Bridge dam was designed for a maximum pressure of 16⅜ tons per sq. ft. (230 lb. per sq. in.)on massive rubble masonry in best hydraulic cement mortar.

"In the light of the preceding examples, it may be assumed that the safe load for the different classes of masonry is about as follows, *provided each is the best of its class:*

	Net tons per sq. ft.	Lb. per sq. in.
Rubble	10 to 15	140 to 200
Squared-stone	15 to 20	200 to 280
Limestone ashlar	20 to 25	280 to 350
Granite ashlar	25 to 30	350 to 400
Concrete	30 to 40	400 to 550

Allowable Pressures Under Building Codes.—Building codes of various cities in the United States vary widely in regard to pressures allowed on stone masonry. A tabulation of limits and averages permitted by the codes of six cities is given on p. 1442:

Kind of stone	Pressures (tons per sq. ft.)		
	High	Low	Average
Granite—cut	72	43	57.5
Marble and limestone—cut	50	29	38.5
Hard sandstone—cut	30	12	21.0

Mr. Thomas Nolan, in Kidder's Pocket Book, page 266, gives the following as allowable loads for different kinds of stonework, and states that "in determining the safe compressive resistance of masonry from tests on the ultimate compressive strength of the same kind, a factor of safety of at least 10 should be allowed for piers and 20 for arches."

	Tons per square foot
Rubble walls, irregular stones	3
Rubble walls, coursed, soft stone	2½
Rubble walls, coursed, hard stone	5 to 16
Dimension-stone, squared, in cement mortar:	
Sandstone and limestone	10 to 20
Granite	20 to 40
Dressed stone, with ⅜-in. dressed joints, in Portland-cement mortar:	
Granite	60
Marble or limestone, best	40
Sandstone	30

APPENDIX J

WORKING STRESSES FOR REINFORCED CONCRETE[1]

1. General Assumptions.—The following working stresses are recommended for static loads. Proper allowances for vibration and impact are to be added to live loads where necessary to produce an equivalent static load before applying the unit stresses in proportioning parts.

In selecting the permissible working stress on concrete, the designer should be guided by the working stresses usually allowed for other materials of construction, so that all structures of the same class composed of different materials may have approximately the same degree of safety.

The following recommendations as to allowable stresses are given in the form of percentages of the ultimate strength of the particular concrete which is to be used; this ultimate strength is that developed at an age of 28 days, in cylinders 8 in. in diameter and 16 in. long, of the consistency described,[2] made and stored under laboratory conditions. In the absence of definite knowledge in advance of construction as to just what strength may be expected, the Committee submits the following values as those which should be obtained with materials and workmanship in accordance with the recommendations of this report.

Although occasional tests may show higher results than those here given, the Committeee recommends that these values should be the maximum used in design.

TABLE OF COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH OF DIFFERENT MIXTURES OF CONCRETE
(In Pounds per Square Inch)

Aggregate	1 : 3*	1 : 4½*	1 : 6*	1 : 7½*	1 : 9*
Granite, trap rock	3,300	2,800	2,200	1,800	1,400
Gravel, hard limestone and hard sandstone	3,000	2,500	2,000	1,600	1,300
Soft limestone and sandstone	2,200	1,800	1,500	1,200	1,000
Cinders	800	700	600	500	400

NOTE.—For variations in the moduli of elasticity see Sect. 8.

* Combined volume fine and coarse aggregate measured separately.

2. Bearing.—When compression is applied to a surface of concrete of at least twice the loaded area, a stress of 35 % of the compressive strength may be allowed in the area actually under load.

3. Axial Compression.—(*a*) For concentric compression on a plain concrete pier, the length of which does not exceed 4 diameters, or on a column reinforced with longitudinal bars only, the length of which does not exceed 12 diameters, 22.5 % of the compressive strength may be allowed.

(*b*) Columns with longitudinal reinforcement to the extent of not less than 1 % and not more than 4 % and with lateral ties of not less than ¼ in. in diameter, 12 in. apart, nor more than 16 diameters of the longitudinal bar: the unit recommended for (*a*).

(*c*) Columns reinforced with not less than 1 % and not more than 4 % of longitudinal bars and with circular hoops or spirals not less than 1 % of the volume of the concrete and as hereinafter specified[3]: a unit stress 55 % higher than given for (*a*), provided the ratio of unsupported length of column to diameter of the hooped core is not more than 10.

4. Compression in Extreme Fiber.—The extreme fiber stress of beam, calculated on the assumption of a constant modulus of elasticity for concrete under working stresses may be allowed to reach 32.5 % of the compressive strength. Adjacent to the support of continuous beams, stresses 15 % higher may be used.

[1] From Final Report of the Special Committee on Concrete and Reinforced Concrete of the American Society of Civil Engineers, presented before the Society, Jan. 17, 1917.

[2] The materials should be mixed wet enough to produce a concrete of such a consistency as will flow sluggishly into the forms and about the metal reinforcement when used, and which, at the same time, can be conveyed from the mixer to the forms without separation of the coarse aggregate from the mortar. The quantity of water is of the greatest importance in securing concrete of maximum strength and density; too much water is as objectionable as too little.

[3] See Art. 7, Sect. 8.

5. Shear and Diagonal Tension.—In calculations on beams in which the maximum shearing stress in a section is used as the means of measuring the resistance to diagonal tension stress, the following allowable values for the maximum vertical shearing stress in concrete, calculated by the method given in formula (22)[1] are recommended:

(*a*) For beams with horizontal bars only and without web reinforcement, 2 % of the compressive strength.

(*b*) For beams with web reinforcement consisting of vertical stirrups looped about the longitudinal reinforcing bars in the tension side of the beam and spaced horizontally not more than one-half the depth of the beam; or for beams in which longitudinal bars are bent up at an angle of not more than 45 deg. or less than 20 deg. with the axis of the beam, and the points of bending are spaced horizontally not more than three-quarters of the depth of the beam apart, not to exceed 4½ % of the compressive strength.

(*c*) For a combination of bent bars and vertical stirrups looped about the reinforcing bars in the tension side of the beam and spaced horizontally not more than one-half of the depth of the beam, 5 % of the compressive strength.

(*d*) For beams with web reinforcement (either vertical or inclined) securely attached to the longitudinal bars in the tension side of the beam in such a way as to prevent slipping of bar past the stirrup, and spaced horizontally not more than one-half of the depth of the beam in case of vertical stirrups and not more than three-fourths of the depth of the beam in the case of inclined members, either with longitudinal bars bent up or not, 6 % of the compressive strength.

The web reinforcement in case any is used should be proportioned by using two-thirds of the external vertical shear in formulas (24)[2] or (25)[3]. The effect of longitudinal bars bent up at an angle of from 20 to 45 deg. with the axis of the beam, may be taken at sections of the beam in which the bent-up bars contribute to diagonal tension resistance, as reducing the shearing stresses to be otherwise provided for. The amount of reduction of the shearing stress by means of bent-up bars will depend upon their capacity but in no case should be taken as greater than 4½ % of the compressive strength of the concrete over the effective cross section of the beam (formula 22)[1]. The limit of tensile stress in the bent-up portion of the bar calculated by formula (25)[3], using in this formula an amount of total shear corresponding to the reduction in shearing stress assumed for the bent-up bars, may be taken as specified for the working stress of steel, but in the calculations the stress in the bar due to its part as longitudinal reinforcement of the beam should be considered. The stresses in stirrups and inclined members when combined with bent-up bars are to be determined by finding the amount of the total shear which may be allowed by reason of the bent up bars, and subtracting this shear from the total external vertical shear. Two-thirds of the remainder will be the shear to be carried by the stirrups, using formulas (24)[2] or 25[3].

Where punching shear occurs, provided the diagonal tension requirements are met, a shearing stress of 6 % of the compressive strength may be allowed.

6. Bond.—The bond stress between concrete and plain reinforcing bars may be assumed at 4 % of the compressive strength, or 2 % in the case of drawn wire. In the best types of deformed bar, the bond stress may be increased, but not to exceed 5 % of the compressive strength of the concrete.

7. Reinforcement.—The tensile or compressive stress in steel should not exceed 16,000 lb. per sq. in.

In structural steel members, the working stresses adopted by the American Railway Engineering Association are recommended.

8. Modulus of Elasticity.—The value of the modulus of elasticity of concrete has a wide range, depending on the materials used, the age, the range of stresses between which it is considered, as well as other conditions. It is recommended that, in computations for the position of the neutral axis, and for the resisting moment of beams, and for compression of concrete in columns, it be assumed as:

(*a*) One-fortieth that of steel, when the strength of the concrete is taken as not more than 800 lb. per sq. in.

(*b*) One-fifteenth that of steel, when the strength of the concrete is taken as greater than 800 lb. per sq. in. and less than 2200 lb. per sq. in.

(*c*) One-twelfth that of steel, when the strength of the concrete is taken as greater than 2200 lb. per sq. in. and less than 2900 lb. per sq. in., and

(*d*) One-tenth that of steel, when the strength of the concrete is taken as greater than 2900 lb. per sq. in.

Although not rigorously accurate, these assumptions will give safe results. For the deflection of beams which are free to move longitudinally at the supports, in using formulas for deflection which do not take into account the tensile strength developed in the concrete, a modulus of one-eighth of that of steel is recommended.

[1] $v = \frac{V}{bjd}$.

[2] Vertical web reinforcement,

$$T = \frac{V's}{jd}$$

[3] Bars bent up at angles between 20 and 45 deg. with the horizontal and web members inclined at 45 deg.,

$$T = \frac{3}{4}\,\frac{V's}{jd}$$

(See Standard Notation, *Appendix A.*)

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